## TESTIMONY OF ERIC MUNN HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE PROPONENT REGARDING HB 2295 FEBRUARY 18, 2019

## Chairwoman Landwehr,

I am writing you today regarding HB 2295- allowing Certified Anesthesiologist Assistants (CAAs) licensure in the state of Kansas. My significant other is a CAA currently living in Kansas, paying taxes in Kansas, but working in Missouri because her licensure is not recognized in the state of Kansas. We've been together for over a year, and I have grown very familiar with CAAs and the excellent patient care they provide. I can tell you as a taxpaying Kansas resident, I would be honored to have a Certified Anesthesiologist Assistant caring for myself or any member of my family.

Allowing CAAs to work in Kansas gives Physician Anesthesiologists a choice of provider; I ask you to give Anesthesiologists the same opportunity that other physician providers have when choosing advanced practice providers for their practice.

I have lived in Overland Park for 28 years, and I truly want to stay in Kansas, start a family and raise my children in Kansas. That cannot happen long term if she is unable to work in our home state. I ask you to support HB 2295. Thank you for your time.

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