



"Where Community Counts."

To: House Tax Committee
From: Richard LaMunyon, City Administrator, City of Maize
Date: March 5, 2019
Subject: House Bill No. 2345 SUPPORT

Thank you for this opportunity to send testimony with the League in support of House Bill 2345.

The City of Maize is one of the fastest growing cities in the State of Kansas. We are a suburb of the City of Wichita. We have had a great deal of pressure on our mill levy rate as the growth has spurred business and citizen demands for additional services.

For over the past 10 years, Maize has not raised their mill levy rate to take in all the property taxes eligible under the tax lid. **The Maize City Council has kept the mill levy rate constant.** There has not been an attempt to ensure that we keep the tax lid at its highest rate.

We would like to extend our support of HB 2345 because we have not raised our taxes to protect our tax lid. We do not anticipate increases in taxes, but future projects might necessitate it.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this bill.