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Kansas Senate
Committee on Ethics, Elections, and Local Government

Dear Committee Members.

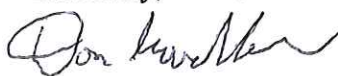
I would like to express my position as a proponent of Senate Bill 59: The Eudora Community Library Act. As a lifelong resident of the Eudora community I have witnessed the impact of the Eudora Township Library on the quality of life in our community. My family has supported the library since the day it was first established by a community vote in 1968. In fact my mother, Helen L. Grosdidier, was a member of the first library board.

Throughout the years our library has provided services such as Summer reading, adult reading, and numerous workshops and events that my family has benefited from. In my mind a strong public library is a major factor in providing a strong quality of life in any community, and that has definitely been the case in Eudora.

Senate Bill 59 will allow the library services we have come to expect to continue for both the residents of the City of Eudora, and the residents of the Eudora Township. These residents created a successful library community in 1968 and this legislation will allow that tradition to continue. I am in particular support of allowing the establishment of the Library District by joint resolution of the two local governing bodies, the Eudora City Commission, and the Eudora Township Board. I believe this validates the work of these bodies in bringing this to a public vote in 1968.

I am asking the members of the Committee to support SB 59 and would be very grateful to the committee for that support.

Sincerely,



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