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Kansas State NAACP Supports Senate Bill 43

The Kansas State NAACP has always been a formidable force in working to ensure and promote voting rights. It continues to be a leader in educating citizens of Kansas on efforts undertaken to suppress voting rights while working tirelessly to counteract such action to promote fair and equal voting rights for all.

The Kansas State NAACP stands as proponents and strongly supports Senate Bill 43 introduced to allow Kansas residents to register to vote and cast a provisional ballot on Election Day.

This bill will help to reverse the undesirable consequences that voting suppression tactics created for approximately 12 of the last years in Kansas while seeking to restore the trust in Kansans that our legislative officials truly want every citizen to be heard and counted through the election process.

People of color and those of lower economic status have been specific targets of voting suppression laws here in Kansas and it is now comforting to know that Senate Bill 43 has been created to ensure the right to vote and justify the wrongs previously inflicted upon the voting rights of Kansans.

Thank you to the bipartisan committee for introducing this bill and the people of Kansas trust that those put in legislative positions will fully support this bill and commit themselves to doing what the citizens believe in - having full access to voting rights, including same day registration and voting.

The Kansas State NAACP represents over 2000 members statewide with 19 branches and is located within Region 4 of the NAACP that includes Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, Minnesota, Iowa, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Wyoming, and South Dakota.

Respectfully Submitted,

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