February 16, 2021

Dear Chair Barker and Members of the Committee:

I am opposed to HB 2199. I have long been involved in various organizations intended to reduce cruelty to animals. Bill 2199 will increase breeding of Greyhounds, result in inhumane treatment of the dogs and will increase the burden on shelters, rescues and other organizations that strive to reduce suffering and the burdens on the public associated with the animal suffering.

I understand that Greyhound racing is illegal in many states and I believe it was not profitable when dog racing was done in our community. I don't think it would be good for Kansas to allow Greyhound racing.

As an individual who would be inclined to utilize slot machines and perhaps other events, I can tell you that I would never attend events that also included Greyhound racing (or horse-racing or other events that involve animals). Can you change the bill so it doesn't create animal suffering and burdens on our city but till creates an opportunity for entertainment?

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Sincerely,

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