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Hi, my name is Lauren Sobchak and I reside in midtown. I'm writing in testimony today in support of the REACH program and request your support for it and ordinance 240284 too.

I have seen first hand the importance of getting to the root of a problem for people in crisis. Whether that be related to mental health, substance use disorders, housing insecurity, deescalation. These social issues need a social and health related response. Not a carceral or police response.

This program would also save tax payer dollars, create safe and accountable responses rooted in care and dignity, and proactively aid people needing help, setting them up for the kind of success we all deserve.

Your full support of this program will help Kansas City continue to grow as a safe and welcoming city, one where people of any background, find support and care from their neighbors and city.

Thank you in advance for supporting this transformative program for all Kansas Citians.

Lauren Sobchak