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Dear Council Members,

I am a dually board certified physician who has practiced in Kansas City for over 13 years. I am the co Medical Director of a local LGBT+ specialty clinic. I provide top quality primary care for any patient, no matter their insurance status or ability to pay. I care for a number of gender diverse patients of all ages. It is shameful how state government officials have attacked this community throughout the year. This political circus, including Andrew Bailey's ridiculous emergency regulation, will cost lives and is distracting to any real progress that society needs. It is Kansas City's duty to stand up and be a blue oasis to those in need.

I prescribe these medications and do so following evidence based medicine and guidelines. Just like I don't randomly throw out sleeping pills, pain pills, antibiotics, I don't randomly throw around hormones. Review my resume, look at my experience, and let me do my job and care for this community.

The coroner doesn't call Andrew Bailey. The coroner won't ask Andrew Bailey to sign death certificates. Preventing access to gender affirming care increases self harm, depression, and suicide risk. Just like mammograms and colonoscopies, this medicine saves lives.

I highly advise the city council to promptly adopt Resolution 230385. Be at the forefront of what is right. Be a role model for future generations. Stand tall and proud in your decision to pass this. You are standing on the right side of history.

I am always available to talk about science and evidence.

Dr. Molly Uhlenhake