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Hello,

My name is Quinn Jackson. I am a family doctor here in Kansas City. I am writing asking you to support resolution 230385.

Every day I see transgender patients and every day they ask me what will happen when the state makes their care illegal. I wish I could tell them it will all be ok, but I can't. It is imperative that the city take steps to protect access to this care. We as health care providers and the patients we take care of can't do this alone. We need the commitment of Kansas City to protect basic health care for our community amidst inhumane attacks on trans people from both Kansas and Missouri.

As a physician, I know that gender affirming care is evidence-based life saving care. We have decades of medical research showing that these treatments improve almost every aspect of health and mental well being for trans and gender diverse people. It is such an honor to witness my patients transform as they get the care they need. I witness their depression improving, their relationships improving and their ability to participate in the world improving. Access to this care means all people thrive. Restricting access means we all suffer.

This is especially true for transgender youth. Trans kids are like any other kids. They want to hang out with their friends and family, play sports, go to church, explore their world and figure out what they want for their futures. But they can't do that if we do nothing to protect them. Every legitimate major medical organization supports continued access to this care.

Please vote in support of resolution 230385.

Thank you,  
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