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Greetings,

I wanted to submit my opposition to ordinance 260144 for the public record.

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Mayor Lucas, Mayor Pro-Tem Parks-Shaw, and Members of City Council,

I am once again asking you to reject yet another attempt to erase the years of hard work Kansas City has made towards making homes healthy, more affordable, and energy efficient. Please vote no on ordinance 260144.

I had the honor of serving on the Climate Protection Steering Committee and working alongside city staff, fellow committee members, and residents to update Kansas City's Climate Protection and Resiliency Plan. At the same time, Councilwoman Bough facilitated stakeholder engagement and City Council passed an ordinance to adopt 2022 energy codes, which was a critical piece of the Climate Plan's implementation goals.

Like many of you, I mourned the passing of Alice Kitchen at the end of last year. Alice's niece passed along a message on behalf of Alice's memory: *"Her light has extinguished; it is now our obligation to make sure our lights shine brighter."*

In that spirit, I am going to be blunt. At a time our federal institutions are gutting health, environmental, and scientific institutions; at the bare minimum, **this city council should uphold our city's climate**

goals. We poured hundreds of hours of rigorous research, spirited debates, and stakeholder engagement into the Climate Plan and the 2022 energy codes. I hope these efforts continue. For now, I hope you reject right wing, climate denial agenda. I am exasperated at the number of attempts there have been to erase this progress and the will of your constituents.

Respectfully,

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