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Mr. Jack Confer  
Executive Director  
KS Medical Board of Healing Arts  
235 W. Topeka Boulevard  
Topeka, KS 66603

Dear Mr. Confer,

One of the unique and enduring legacies in the colorful history of Kansas is its reputation as a pivotal center of societal influence and debate on our nation's most controversial topics. Since the state's inception, our citizens have proven to be thoughtful, deliberate, and rational agents of change on the nation's most controversial topics.

As you're acutely aware, one of these flashpoint issues in Kansas is the debate surrounding late-term abortions and the legal battle concerning such procedures—which is why I've been urged by my constituents to ask for your assistance. Your arrival and subsequent performance at the Board of Healing Arts has been quite encouraging, and I trust that you and the board will give this situation appropriate consideration.

I've been contacted in reference to a petition filed on behalf of 8,000 Kansans by Kansans for Life. As I understand, execution on this petition may have been put in jeopardy after the abhorrent murder of Dr. George Tiller. My simple request is for the Board of Healing Arts to remain committed to investigating the complaints—many of which still apply to the doctors who worked in conjunction with Women's Health Care Services in Wichita, and who are still considering performing post-viable abortions in Kansas.

I trust that your investigation into these complaints would be thorough, fair, and mark an important step in re-building trust between the Board of Healing Arts and those concerned with preventing the most destructive form of abortion in our society.

I sincerely appreciate your dedication to establishing a new standard of service at your agency and congratulate you on the discernable progress that has already been made. Please feel free to contact me if there is any way you feel I may be able to assist you in this effort. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arlen H. Siegfried". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rep. Arlen Siegfried  
Speaker Pro Tem