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Knox van Nagell, J.D.

Dear President Stivers and Speaker Stumbo,

My name is Knox van Nagell, and I am writing this letter on behalf of Fayette Alliance.

Founded in 2006, Fayette Alliance is a coalition of citizens dedicated to achieving sustainable growth in Lexington-Fayette County through land use advocacy, education, and promotion.

As the voice for sustainable growth, Fayette Alliance believes that preserving our unique and productive Bluegrass farmland, advancing innovative development, and improving our infrastructure are essential to our collective success in Lexington.

Through our efforts at government and beyond, Lexington can become the model for sustainable growth, by connecting and balancing its vibrant city with its unique and productive Bluegrass farmland...for the benefit of our community, region, and state.

In furtherance of this mission, Fayette Alliance strongly supports House Bill 298.

If adopted, this legislation will authorize the appropriation of bonds to construct a \$135 million medical research facility at the University of Kentucky.

Once complete, this catalytic project will propel Lexington's economy, built environment, and quality of life forward—profoundly impacting our city, the Bluegrass Region, and the state of Kentucky commiserate with the land-grant mission of our flagship university.

Moreover, the proposed research facility will leverage Lexington's competitive strengths as a healthcare, high-tech, and agricultural hub—significantly advancing sustainable growth, job creation, and the welfare of Kentuckians across the entire state.

We therefore appreciate your stewardship of this important bill, and respectfully urge its adoption during the shortened legislative session.



Thank you for your consideration, and please contact me anytime if I can be of further assistance at director@fayettealliance.com or 859.281.1202.

With highest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Knox van Nagell". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Knox van Nagell, J.D.
Executive Director
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