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WITNESS NAME: <b>ALANE BOOTH</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-234-5000</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>KANSAS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>		TITLE: <b>DETECTIVE</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>1125 LOCUST STREET</b>			
CITY: <b>KANSAS CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>64106</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>AMY FITE</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>417-581-7915</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS</b>		TITLE: <b>CHRISTIAN COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY</b>	
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CITY: <b>OZARK</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65721</b>
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Christian County Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite, on behalf of Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys (MAPA), provides this written testimony in favor of the concept contained in Blair's Law, HB99, HB722, and HB795. MAPA strongly supports legislation that prohibits acting with criminal negligence to discharge of a firearm into or in a municipality. Given the legislature's recent effort to enact a revised criminal code that streamlined offenses, MAPA respectfully suggests the legislation avoid creating a new offense when an existing offense can be modified to achieve the intended effect. HB722 avoids creating a new offense and is MAPA's preferred method of achieving the goal of Blair's Law.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>DAMON DANIEL</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-861-5500</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>ADHOC GROUP AGAINST CRIME</b>		TITLE: <b>PRESIDENT</b>	
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CITY: <b>KANSAS CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>64128</b>
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To Whom It Concern,My name is Damon Daniel, President of The AdHoc Group Against Crime. I am writing to express my support of Blairs Law, which makes discharging a firearm with criminal negligence within or into city limits a state offense. Over the last three years AdHoc Group Against Crime has provided minor home repairs to over 200 families whose homes were struck due to criminal negligence. Just last year we repaired 81 homes. To say that violence is a critical issue in Kansas City, is an understatement. In fact, last year 630 people survived a gun shot wound and 176 homicides. Law enforcement officials need policies like this to help reduce crime and victimization. It is my belief that Blairs law will help reduce this negligent behavior. I encourage you to support this law.Sincerely,Damon DanielAdHoc Group Against Crime(816) 861-5500damon@adhocgac.com



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JEREMY LAFAVER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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ADDRESS: <b>7200 MADISON AVENUE</b>		
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WITNESS NAME: <b>KARI THOMPSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-636-6645</b>	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>KENDALL MARTINEZ-WRIGHT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>KRISTIN BOWEN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
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I am writing to share my support for HB 99, Blair's Law, a much-needed measure to address the dangers of celebratory gunfire in Missouri. As lawmakers of both parties said and the family friend of Blair Shanahan Lane testified movingly in last year's hearing about her killing, the danger celebratory gunfire poses is far too common. Blair's family and others across the state have suffered tragedy-- losses that are preventable and that no additional Missouri family should have to endure. Please vote YES to advance this common-sense bill to encourage responsible gun ownership in our state.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHELE SHANAHAN DEMOSS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MOLLY PELLETTIERE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
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Please pass Blair's Law. As a Kansas Citian holiday's and celebratory times in our city sound like a war zone. 6 years ago, my new neighbors across the street, stood in their driveway on New Year's Eve (at times with their children with them) and shot handguns in the air from 8:45pm to 2:30 am. The police were called several times, but didn't drive down or street till the shooting was over. Next day I tried to walk in a report and they refused to take it. This is just one example of the trauma of living with this kind of behavior ignored. It happens so often all over the area in South Kansas City, that I can't even count them. It is only a matter of time before the damage is not just property, but more loss of life. Please pass Blair's Law!



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WITNESS NAME: <b>SAM PANETTIERE</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-714-6876</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI</b>		TITLE: <b>LOBBYIST</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>PO BOX 410221</b>			
CITY: <b>KANSAS CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>64114</b>
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The City of Kansas City, Missouri supports this legislation to reduce celebratory fire causing harm to individuals and property.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>SHANNON COOPER</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>660-890-1432</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>208 MADISON STREET</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65101</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>VICKIE WOLGAST</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-761-7660</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>SOUTH KANSAS CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b>		TITLE: <b>PRESIDENT</b>	
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CITY: <b>KANSAS CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>64131</b>
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On behalf of the South Kansas City Chamber of Commerce I would like to express our organizations support of the passage of HB 99 - Blairs Law. Passge of Blairs Law is one of the top priorites of the South Kansas City and Grandview Chamber's 2021 Legislative Priorities. Celebratory gunfire is extremely dangerous and not only results in property damage but also loss of life. News coverage about these events also mkae it difficult for business attraction and retention as businesses typically don't want to be in areas where this happens. By passing this legislation, hopefully people will think twice before shooting their guns in the air.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE C. AC "HONESEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC AD</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**I am Opposed to this Bill. I do not agree with all of the circumstances and the Penalty is steep.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARK JOHNSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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Please ensure that this bill (and all the other "Blair's Law" bills) are as narrowly tailored as possible to the supposed purpose of doing something about celebratory gunfire. I find it a little weird that bills to prevent celebratory gunfire don't actually mention celebratory gunfire in the summary or bill text. Amend as necessary before passing, please.