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Subject: FW: Testimony

Additional testimony!

Darrell

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ross Farber [mailto:farber@middrivers.com]
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To: 'Darrell Rud'
Subject: RE: Testimony

Darrell,

I would have to echo the things I have read so far. At Washington Middle School here in Glendive the vending machines are on a timer and are not available during the day. They do serve as a money maker for our various organizations and therefore we are reluctant to do away with them. We have also added more healthy choices for our kids and plan to increase those healthy choices.

I would hate to lose the local control on this issue. I believe we can make those choices here and not at a state level.

Thanks for your hard work Darrell,
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From: Darrell Rud [mailto:djrud@msn.com]
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Elaine,

I will be in the Capitol tomorrow but had previously agreed to testify in another committee at exactly the same time.

Here is my prepared testimony that I would have used. Feel free to duplicate and share with Committee members. I received no supportive testimony for this bill from my legislative contacts in the association that I work for.

Good luck! I do look forward to continuing our "dialogue" so that local decisions & education, coupled with industry cooperation, can work together to find additional ways of fighting obesity in our state and nation's children.

Sincerely,

Darrell Rud