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HAND DELIVERED

Rep. Ron Ryckman, Jr.  
Speaker of the House  
Kansas Statehouse  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 370-W  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Speaker Ryckman,

In light of the filing of *Frederick, et al. v. The Kansas Legislature*, Case No. 122,267, in the Kansas Supreme Court, I am compelled to withdraw my acceptance of your invitation to present a State of the Judiciary Address on January 15, 2020. See Kansas Code of Judicial Conduct Rules 2.9 (prohibiting ex parte communications) and 2.10 (judicial statements on *pending* and *impending* cases).

I greatly appreciate your courtesy in extending the invitation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marla Luckert". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chief Justice Marla Luckert

cc: Sen. Susan Wagle, President of the Senate  
Susan Kannarr, Chief Clerk of the House  
Rex A. Sharp  
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