Attn Chair Greenlick and members of the committee:

Good morning my name is Amber, and I support HB 2921.

I am a mother of two children, one of which is four years old. Currently I am the only person in the household working. At times, it can be difficult just to get through the month.

WIC has has helped my family assure that my son gets adequate nutrition, even though due to our financial situation, at times we may not be able to purchase a fresh gallon of milk.

Furthermore, during the summer months the Farm Direct WIC checks have helped me put fresh, local fruits and vegetables on our table. With these checks, we visit a local farm which has a Farmer's Market. Not only do the WIC Farm Direct Checks provide nutritious fresh fruits and vegetables, they also teach my son where the food he eats comes from.

WIC has helped my family greatly, and we thank you.

Sincerely,

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