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SUBJECT: HR 6032, Opposing the United Nations Agenda 21.

Mr. Chair and members of the committee, my name is Paul Degener and I am here in support of HR 6032, opposing the United Nations Agenda 21.

This is a start, but we need to do more. I have included with my testimony a Model Stop Agenda 21 Bill at Enclosure 1 for your consideration. We need to keep the United Nations out of our state and get it out of our country.

It is apparent that someone in the state legislature is quite aware of the ramifications of Agenda 21 based on the wording of HR 6032. What I will attempt to do here today is to provide some additional information that I do not see in the resolution that may or may not be known.

One item that is missing is ICLEI.

ICLEI was founded in 1990 as the 'International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives'. The Council was established when more than 200 local governments from 43 countries convened at our inaugural conference, the World Congress of Local Governments for a Sustainable Future, at the United Nations in New York.

In 2003 ICLEI Members retained the acronym of ICLEI but changed the name from the "International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives" to "Local Governments for Sustainability broadened their mandate to address sustainability issues.

From the ICLEI web page I found the following:

- If my count was correct, there are 632 United States cities that are members of ICLEI.
- Of those 632 cities the following 5 cities of Kansas are members of ICLEI:
 - Johnson County, KS
 - Lawrence, KS
 - Mission, KS
 - Prairie Village, KS
 - Wyandotte County/Kansas City, KS
- In addition to our 5 cities of Kansas we find that our neighboring city of Kansas City, Mo is a member city of ICLEI.
- I can't help but wonder if the city of Greensburg, Kansas might not be associated with ICLIE since rebuilding after the tornado it is now referred to as the Green City.
- I have heard that ICLEI has established itself in Topeka, however I have no concrete evidence of that.

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- Another key word used in much of the UN propaganda is visioning. Here in Topeka we have Heartland Visioning. I have no evidence that Heartland Visioning is connected to the UN Agenda 21 or ICLEI, but, again it does lead one to wonder.

Titles that can be connected to Agenda 21 and ICLEI include the following:

- Smart Growth Initiatives
- Resilient Cities
- Regional Visioning Projects
- STAR Sustainable Communities
- Green Jobs
- Green Building Codes
- Local Visioning
- Community in-put
- Consensus Building

Quote, The New American, February 21, 2011, Your Hometown and the United Nations, Agenda 21, pg. 14, William F. Jasper.

“The UN’s Agenda 21 is definitely comprehensive and global—breathhtakingly so. Agenda 21 proposes a global regime that will monitor, oversee, and strictly regulate our planet’s oceans (LOST, Law of the Sea Treaty), lakes, streams, rivers, aquifers, sea beds, coastlines, wetlands, forests, jungles, grasslands, farmland, deserts, tundra, and mountains. It even has a section on regulating and “protecting” the atmosphere. It proposes plans for cities, towns, suburbs, villages, and rural areas. It envisions a global scheme for healthcare. Education, nutrition, agriculture, labor, production, and consumption—in short, everything; there is nothing on, in, over, or under the Earth that doesn’t fall within the purview of some part of Agenda 21.”

From all of this, does anyone see the slightest possibility of the United Nations working us into a corner that would force us to succumb to a One World Government ruled by the United Nations?

In addition to the foregoing, I would urge the committee and the entire legislature to read the following, most if not all can be downloaded from the internet. Every one of the documents listed goes against everything this country stands for.

- The United Nations Charter.
- The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.
- The United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- The United States Department of State Publication 7277, Freedom From War, The United States Program for General and Complete Disarmament in a Peaceful World.
- Public Law 87-297, Arms Control and Disarmament Act. PL 87-297 implements the provisions of DOS 7277, Freedom From War.

I urge you to favorably consider HR 6032.

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A MODEL STOP AGENDA 21 BILL FOR STATE LEGISLATURES

AN ACT relative to the United Nations Agenda 21 and the non-governmental organization International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives, also known as ICLEI — Local Governments for Sustainability.

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this act, a “political subdivision” means all state, county, incorporated city, unincorporated city, public local entity, public-private partnership, or any other public entity thereof; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Agenda 21 is a comprehensive plan of extreme environmentalism, social engineering, and global political control that was initiated at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 1992; and

WHEREAS, neither the U.S. government nor any state or local government is legally bound by the United Nations Agenda 21 treaty in that it has never been ratified by the U.S. Senate; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Agenda 21 is being covertly pushed into local communities throughout the United States of America through the International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), now calling itself “Local Governments for Sustainability,” through local "sustainable development" policies, such as Smart Growth, Wildlands Project, Resilient Cities, Regional Visioning Projects, and other "Green" or "Alternative" projects; and

WHEREAS, this plan of radical so-called "sustainable development" views the American way of life of private property ownership, single-family homes, private car ownership and individual travel choices, and privately owned farms all as destructive to the environment; and

WHEREAS, according to the United Nations Agenda 21 policy, social justice is described as the right and opportunity of all people to benefit equally from the resources afforded by society and the environment which would be accomplished by a socialist/communist-style redistribution of wealth; and

WHEREAS, according to the United Nations Agenda 21 policy, national sovereignty is deemed a social injustice; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the state of _____ and all political subdivisions are prohibited from implementing programs of, expending any sum of money for, being a member of, receiving funding from, contracting services from, or giving financial or other forms of aid to ICLEI — Local Governments for Sustainability, or any other organization promoting the implementation of the United Nations Agenda 21, sustainable development, or smart growth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body recognize the destructive and insidious nature of the United Nations Agenda 21, endorse rejection of its radical policies and of any grant monies attached to

it, and recommend exposing to the public and public policymakers across the country the dangerous intent of the plan.