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Senator Greg Adams
Room 1403, State Capitol,
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Dear Senator Adams:

I am writing to you regarding the issue of moving the State Fair out of the city of Lincoln to Grand Island.

I feel that the state fair should remain in the city of Lincoln. I understand that there are many reasons why they want to move the fair out of Lincoln, but there are many other reasons to keep it here.

One reason I don't think the state fair should move is because no one from the eastern part of the state will want to drive out there to see it. The way the state fair is now, no one really cares if they go or not. I know that a lot of people from western Nebraska will probably attend the fair, but that population doesn't even meet the population of people from Lincoln and Omaha.

Another reason I think the state fair should not be moved is because it will cost the state millions of dollars. Most of the money will be coming from the University (\$21.5 million) and from Grand Island (\$8.5 million), but they plan to use some of the state's cash reserves (\$5 million). I feel that is wrong to do, because the legislature vetoed a bill to use some of the cash reserves on education. I think that education is more important to the state of Nebraska than moving the fair to another town.

By building a new medical research park in Lincoln will help the economy and future of the state; I feel that there are other places in the state to build one. Why not build the research park in Grand Island, instead of moving the fair? The buildings on the fair grounds may be somewhat dilapidated, but it would probably save money.

I truly feel that if we do move the fair out to Grand Island, its traditions will disappear. I don't think Grand Island will be able to support such a big event. I hope you can try and make sure the fair does not get moved. Thank you for reading my letter and listening to my opinions.

Sincerely,

Ashley Leising