## Free Market Kansans

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## Free Market Kansans Launches to Stand Up for Free Enterprise and Oppose Government Overreach

**Topeka, KS** – Free Market Kansans launched today to join in the fight against harmful legislation that would limit Kansans' financial choices and threaten our free market economic system.

"Our free market economic system is under attack from harmful legislation and proposed government mandates coming out of Washington, D.C. We started Free Market Kansans to push back, because Kansans have valued their financial freedom since our state's inception, and we know Kansans are willing to work together to protect that freedom. Free Market Kansans is dedicated to educating Kansans on any proposed policy that will restrict their control of personal financial decisions or jeopardize the safety and security of their personal financial information," said Doug Wareham, Chairman of Free Market Kansans.

The Credit Card Competition Act (CCCA) that has been proposed in Congress is one piece of reckless and misguided federal legislation that Free Market Kansans will work to defeat. This legislation would water down or even eliminate credit card rewards and cash back that many consumers consider when choosing their credit card. The law could also lead to merchants using less secure credit card payment processing networks which would put Kansans at a greater risk of becoming victims of fraudulent credit card charges.

"Kansans of all income levels use credit card rewards and cash back to pay for groceries, gas, Christmas presents, and vacations with their families. Individual Kansans and Kansas business owners are also common-sense people who value secure payment systems, and they don't need additional fraud risks during a time when cybersecurity threats are hitting us from every direction. We must stand together to tell Washington politicians to put this bad idea out to pasture," stated Kurt Knutson, board member of Free Market Kansans.

Kansas consumers can play an important role by standing up against big government advocates in Washington to protect secure credit card transactions and valuable rewards that benefit Kansans. Every KANSAS voice is important. For more information on our work or to join our efforts, please visit us at www.freemarketkansans.org.