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Dear Committee Members,

Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony. I am in favor of the Ten Commandments being posted in all classrooms in all public schools. I have lived in North Dakota all of my 55 years of life, and I have seen such a change in the dynamic of many families. Many children are growing up with only one parent in the house. Often times the children are not being monitored or cared for due to parents working or parents spending too much time on their cell phones. There is a definite lack of communication and discipline happening with their kids, which most likely means they are not being taught what is right and what is wrong, what to say or not say, or what to do and not do. Children are followers and need a moral compass.

I have read some of the testimonies where some talk about protecting religious freedoms, historical truth, and sound educational practice. What about protecting and teaching children right from wrong. School shootings and violence are starting to become the historical truth and fear. Also, how about putting some common sense into the sound educational practice. We have nothing to lose and everything to gain by putting the Ten Commandments back into the schools. Let's quit worrying about who it is going to offend and start doing something that can make a real difference. What do we really have to lose?