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My name is Deondre Hawk, and I am a resident of Bismarck, ND. I am writing to express my strong support for legislation that allows for the use of the proposed 35% in our state. As someone who has personally experienced the benefits of darker tints, I believe this legislation would have a positive impact on public safety, health, and overall quality of life for residents.

35% window tints would provide an added layer of privacy and security for individuals and families. In an era where personal safety is a growing concern, darker tints help shield occupants from prying eyes. This is especially important for vulnerable populations, such as women traveling alone or families with young children. Additionally, darker tints can deter theft and break-ins by making it more difficult for criminals to see valuables inside vehicles or properties.

One of the most compelling reasons to support darker tints is their ability to block up to 99% of harmful ultraviolet (UV) rays. Prolonged exposure to UV radiation is a known cause of skin cancer, premature aging, and other health issues. By allowing darker tints, we can help protect drivers and passengers from these risks.

Darker tints significantly reduce glare from sunlight, headlights, and reflective surfaces, which can improve visibility and reduce eye strain for drivers. This is especially beneficial during early mornings, late afternoons, and nighttime driving, when glare is most problematic. By enhancing driver comfort and safety, darker tints can contribute to a reduction in accidents caused by impaired visibility.

In the event of an accident or break-in, darker tints can help hold shattered glass together, reducing the risk of injury from flying shards. This added safety feature is invaluable for protecting occupants in vehicles. making darker tints a practical choice for public safety. The benefits of darker tints extend far beyond aesthetics, offering tangible improvements in safety, health, energy efficiency, and privacy.

Thank you for considering my testimony.