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Representative Jeffrey Rezabek
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Dear Representative Rezabek,

I write to you in support of H.B. 276, the expansion of the offense of aggravated menacing to prohibit threatening a utility worker with intent to obstruct the operation of a utility. In fact, the Communications Workers of America - District 4 would support and suggest a friendly amendment to expand penalties for threatening any utility worker, regardless of intent.

CWA represents thousands of utility workers nationwide, and physical attacks on utility workers are becoming more and more frequent and of great concern. Utility workers work all hours of the day, many in high crime areas, often alone. So, any attempt to increase safety and protection is, indeed, encouraged and appreciated.

Please sign onto H.B. 276 as a co-sponsor and encourage Committee Hearings.

Contact Representative Rezabek or Representative Greenspan to sign onto this Bill.

Sincerely,

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