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Ohio House Transportation and Public Safety Committee
Support of House Bill 275

Dear Ohio House Transportation and Public Safety Committee:

Thank you Chairman Green, Vice Chair Greenspan, and Ranking member Sheehy. I appreciate the opportunity to talk to you today about House Bill 275, a proposal that designates the bridge spanning the Tuscarawas River, that is part of State Route 93 in Canal Fulton in Stark County as the "Lance Corporal Michael Stangelo, USMC, Memorial Bridge."

Michael Stangelo was born October 27 1985. Michael as a child and teenager went to Northwest schools in Canal Fulton, graduating, and Enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, and is a GWOT Veteran of the OIF War. Upon return from the war, Michael battled PTSD. On January 3 2016, PTSD tried to take his life. Michael overcame and his mother and I were beside him until May of 2016 when he went back for an operation he then passed from, Michael was 30 years old.

Michael's willingness to serve his country and of his nation has formed a legacy that his community will not forget. Dedicating a Bridge that is part of State Route 93 stands as a small act of gratitude for Michael's service and sacrifice for his service.

House Bill 275 ask that the bridge spanning the Tuscarawas River, that is part of State Route 93 in Canal Fulton as "Lance Corporal Michael Stangelo, USMC, Memorial Bridge." I respectfully ask for your support in honoring LCpl Michael Stangelo.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

David Duval