

March 14, 2018

Chairman Green
Vice Chairman Patton
Ranking Member Sheehy
Members of the House Transportation and Public Safety Committee

To Whom It May Concern,

I want to thank you for considering House Bill 534 to honor our fallen Brother Patrick Wolterman. I am sure it will mean a lot to his wife, his mother, his father, his sister, his brother and the rest of his family. It will mean a great deal to Patrick's Brothers and Sisters of Hamilton IAFF Local 20. The location is especially meaningful, as this patch of road is right by Station 25, the firehouse that Patrick was stationed at. Every day, as his Brothers and Sisters go to work, they will see that sign and remember Patrick. Every day, as people travel through Hamilton they will see this sign and remember Patrick and his sacrifice.

As President for Hamilton Local 20, I have seen firsthand the effect of that night on Patrick's family, the community and his Brother and Sister firefighters. While we know this cannot bring Patrick back, we do feel this honor will be a great way to remember Patrick and his sacrifice. This honor for our Brother is well deserved for a life lived in service to others. We would appreciate your support for this important bill and will be eternally grateful for your vote.

I want to thank the committee for allowing me to speak in support of House Bill 534 and would be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Sincerely,

Tony Harris President, Hamilton Professional Fire Fighters IAFF Local 20

