Dear Ohio Legislators,

My name is Dennis Daniel and I encourage you to please support H.B.401. I feel that it is very unfair that the residents, who live in townships where industrial wind turbine projects are being proposed to be built, have no local control in the approval or disapproval of the projects. H.B.401 will give townships in the effected areas a form of local zoning concerning the development of industrial wind power generating facilities. I also believe that it is very unfair that the decision to approve or disapprove an industrial wind farm rests solely in the hands of a board that is appointed by the governor and that is made up persons who do not live in the areas where the wind turbine projects are proposed to be constructed.

I have learned that Ohio zoning today prohibits the building of homes in industrial use zoned areas. Yet, the industrial wind turbine industry is allowed to build wind generated power plants in residential areas with no regard to the feelings of the majority of the citizens living in that area. This is simply wrong.

Residents who live in the footprint of an industrial wind power generating plant face many negative impacts. These negative impacts include lowered property values, obstruction to air travel including air ambulance services, commercial air services, aerial crop services, potential harm from wind turbine blade failure, danger to wildlife, shadow flicker, health issues, and the overall diminishment of quality of life and rural living.

I urge you to support H.B.401 and let the local residents decide if industrial wind power generating plants are the right fit for their township.

Sincerely, Dennis S. Daniel

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