

WITNESS INFORMATION FORM
HOUSE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE
REPRESENTATIVE JAMIE CALLENDER, CHAIRMAN

PLEASE COMPLETE THE WITNESS INFORMATION FORM BEFORE TESTIFYING

DATE: 1/27/2020

NAME: LAUREL WINTERS

ORGANIZATION: _____

(IF APPLICABLE)

POSITION/TITLE: 87 MEMBERS OF THE UU CHURCH OF AKRON

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ARE YOU REPRESENTING: YOURSELF YES ORGANIZATION

DO YOU WISH TO TESTIFY ON

LEGISLATION (BILL NUMBER): SB 33

SPECIFIC ISSUE: _____

SUBJECT MATTER: _____

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR POSITION ON THE BILL

PROPONENT: _____

OPPONENT: XX

INTERESTED PARTY: _____

PLEASE GIVE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF THE GROUNDS ON WHICH YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE SUCH ENACTMENT:

In January 2017, President Donald Trump signed a presidential memorandum to revive both Keystone XL and Dakota Access pipelines. In February 2017, the last Dakota Access Pipeline protesters at Standing Rock were removed, having endured water cannons in freezing weather, teargas, rubber bullets, concussion grenades, violent arrests and brutal treatment during incarceration. Vindicating their concerns, in November 2017 the nearby Keystone XL Pipeline spilled over 200,000 gallons of oil in South Dakota, then another 383,000 gallons in North Dakota in 2019.

With the passage of Ohio Senate Bill 33, protesters like these, assembled in accordance with their constitutional rights, would become

criminals under law. Some of my fellow congregants were among their number at Standing Rock.

Therefore, I reject the premise and proposal in Ohio Senate Bill 33 as an Unconstitutional infringement on freedom of speech and assembly, and I Oppose its passage.

PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED COPY OF A PETITION AND SIGNATURES FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF AKRON OHIO.

WILL YOU HAVE A WRITTEN STATEMENT, VISUAL AIDS, OR OTHER MATERIAL TO DISTRIBUTE?

YES____ No____ (IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE COPIES TO THE CHAIRMAN OR SECRETARY)

No, I JUST WANTED MY COMMENTS ON FILE, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

HOW MUCH TIME WILL YOUR TESTIMONY REQUIRE? __N/A WRITTEN ONLY__XX