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Chairman McColley, Vice Chairman Uecker, Ranking Member Antonio, and members of the Senate Transportation, Commerce and Workforce Committee, thank you for the opportunity to speak with you today about Senate Bill 106.

One of the big reasons that we name roads in this state is so that young people can see the sign, do a quick search, and then learn about real heroes – like Sergeant Carpenter. Sergeant First Class Charles E. Carpenter, raised in Middletown Ohio, was killed while on guard duty on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 1969 during his third deployment in Vietnam. Charles was a member of the US Army Special Forces, commonly known as Green Berets, and was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart during his service to our country. I would like to thank his brother, Robert, for bringing Charles's story to our attention, and hopefully we can provide this small token of long-overdue recognition to his family and community. This bill will name a portion of State Route 122 the "SFC Charles E. Carpenter Memorial Highway".

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I would like to thank you for your time and consideration and would be happy to answer any questions.