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The Honorable Kevin Bacon
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
1 Capitol Square, Rm. 035
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Dear Chairman Bacon,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a letter in support of House Bill 38, legislation that Representative Greenspan sponsored to protect the bravest among us.

Criminals who act out violently against those who have sworn to protect us are a particularly severe threat to public safety. House Bill 38 would enhance penalties for those who commit or attempt to commit heinous acts of violence against first responders (including federal law enforcement officers, EMTs, and firefighters) or members of our military. It would aid prosecutors with stricter penalties for those targeting these courageous individuals. .

Every day, men and women across our state commit their lives to arriving first at the scene of an accident or hostile situation. I strongly encourage the passage of this legislation and appreciate your attention to this important matter.

Very respectfully yours,

Mike DeWine
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