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Chairman LaRose, Vice-Chair Kunze, Ranking Member Tavares, and members of the Senate Transportation, Commerce and Workforce Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on behalf of Senate Bill 78. Senate Bill 78 would designate a portion of State Route 7 in Jefferson County as the "U.S. Air Force Staff Sergeant Yvonne Marie Fair Memorial Highway."

Yvonne Fair, born and raised in Steubenville, Ohio, was an integral member of her community. Her service to her community started with volunteering with local fire departments, teaching CPR classes at Belmont Technical School and serving as a Student Youth Advisor President for the Jefferson County Farm Bureau. She then joined the U.S. Air Force in January of 2007, as a Bioenvironmental Specialist and served until she was medically retired in 2011 after being diagnosed with Stage 4 inoperable Melanoma.

Although her health was failing, her service to her country did not stop there. Upon returning home, she was balancing cancer treatments and serving as a full-time firefighter and paramedic for Brilliant Fire Department and Neffs Fire Department. She lost her courageous four-year battle to Melanoma in the Spring of 2015.

Yvonne Fair dedicated her life to serving our community. She made a significant impact on those around her and designating this highway would guarantee that her legacy lives on.

Chairman LaRose and members of the Transportation Committee, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill 78. I am happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.