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Chairman Green, Vice Chair McClain, Ranking Member Sheehy, and Members of the Transportation Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify today on House Bill 766, which would create the Ohio Aerospace Institute license plate.

The Ohio Aerospace Institute is a public-private partnership with NASA Glenn Research Center that attracts good-paying jobs and drives economic development. Because of its role in building a hub of aerospace manufacturing and innovation, the Ohio Aerospace Institute is important to my district, the Greater Cleveland Area, and the entire State of Ohio. This legislation would recognize that effort and its significance to Ohio's identity as the state that put a man on the Moon and will one day put a woman on Mars.

House Bill 766 requires a \$25 contribution per plate, which would go towards student internships with a focus on aerospace. John Sankovic, CEO of the Ohio Aerospace Institute, has also submitted written proponent testimony with more information about this very crucial work done in Brook Park, Ohio.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. I'd be happy to take any questions.