

## Testimony

Michele Young

I am a breast cancer survivor. I have dense breasts although I had regular mammograms, my breast cancer was not found until I was late stage in 2018. I was learned that I likely had breast cancer since 2012 but it could not be seen on mammograms because it is as hard to dense breasts show up as white on a mammogram. So does breast cancer. So it is as hard to find as a snowflake in a snowstorm. I was told to go through my bucket list. I persevered against the odds, thanks to my oncologists at UHealth. I have been in complete remission for over 2 years. I promised I would never another woman lose her health or life simply because she has dense breasts when the technology exists to detect breast cancer of women with dense breasts at an early age.

Thanks to the dedication of my oncologists and Representatives Sedrick Denson and Jean Schmidt, we are offering a bill that will be a model for the nation and save many lives and prevent great suffering. This is legislation that will impact every home in Ohio for the lives of mothers, sisters, daughters, and best friends will be saved.

Thank you.