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Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on House Bill 248.

My name is Anne-Marie Cox and I am a licensed Registered Nurse in Ohio and one reason I support House Bill 248 is because medical freedom must be protected. In all of my nursing education and work practice, it has always been stressed that patients have a right to informed consent. The moment one is mandated to receive a medical procedure by anyone (to work, go to school, eat dinner, or travel) it is no longer out of consent, but force. Ohioan's freedom to accept or decline any medical procedure should be protected.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency of House Bill 248.

And on behalf of all freedom-loving Ohio citizens, I respectfully ask each of you, regardless of party affiliation, to support House Bill 248 by casting an affirmative vote.

Sincerely,

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