

**Testimony of Lynn Allen in support of HJR No. 1**

**Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chairwoman John, Ranking Member Kelly, and members of the committee,**

**My name is Lynn Allen. I am a wife, mother, teacher, patent holder, and start up entrepreneur and finally a concerned citizen regarding the state of our country and freedom and liberty for the citizens of Ohio.**

**My husband, Dr. Kyle Allen, a geriatrician and I patented an idea that used the biomechanics (P3 technology) Pivot, Push, Pull as an idea for a bed-rise assist to build a business here in Ohio. We wanted to take this patented idea and grow it into a business here in Ohio. We wanted to....but we couldn't. We actually used an Ohio company Alloy Fabricators in Wooster, Ohio to create 100 prototypes for us to engage in testing and further design work. We stopped at 100 units. Do you know why? We couldn't make the business model work. It was cost prohibitive to manufacture in the United States. We were encouraged to order a cargo of Allen Pole units from China.... We need to stop here and allow citizens to do local, allow citizens to do American Made. Vote for a Convention of States and allow the people to begin, once again, a step to local power and governance instead of having to depend on China. Please give us a new beginning that We the People can create, build, support, a local approach without jobs, ideas, and most of all our hope stolen from us.**

**Finally, please support HJR1 and pass it on to the House for a full vote. Thank you too, for all of your hard work and commitment to represent the citizens of Ohio as well as the opportunity to provide my testimony.**