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Chairman Baldrige and Honored Members of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee,

Thank you for your consideration of both House Bills 19 and 80 today, honoring two Toledo Police Officers, killed in the line of duty in the past year.

Specifically, House Bill 80 would name the stretch of Alexis Road, State Route 184, in front of Whitmer High School, "Officer Brandon Stalker Memorial Highway." Each day, Officer Stalker's mother, Cosette Stalker, drives down this road to come to work as a nutrition worker at Whitmer High School. Officer Stalker's fiancé, works as a teacher at Wernert Elementary, just a short drive from Whitmer High School, and his daughter, attends Monac Elementary. This hero's memory permeates our district as we all join in their sorrow.

Officer Stalker was a proud 2014 graduate of the Whitmer Criminal Justice program. After graduating from the Toledo Police Academy, one of his first stops was the Whitmer Career Technical Center to thank his teachers for their encouragement and inspire other students to pursue a career in justice. He volunteered his time as a baseball coach and is remembered as a thoughtful and caring young man. We miss him as an alumnus, coach, role model, son, and father.

We encourage you to honor this hero's memory by naming the east and westbound lanes of State Route 184 between mile marker four and five, "Officer Brandon Stalker Memorial Highway." We will remember this stretch of Alexis Road always for our hero, our Panther.

Sincerely,

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