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Subject: HB 245 Prohibiting certain adult cabaret performances

Representative King and Representative Williams:

I live in Concord Township, in Lake County, Ohio. I am 77 years old and have lived in Northeast Ohio my whole life. I have been married to Bernadette Massie for 50 years and have two children and four grandchildren.

I am writing in favor of HB 245 that will prohibit immoral adult behavior in public that may be witnessed by young children. I am a very strong advocate for the physical and mental safety and well-being of all children.

I am also a strong advocate for freedom of speech and expression. However, adult entertainment and behavior by both sexes that has, heretofore, been shown in adult cabaret venue, cannot, must not be allowed in public venues where innocent children may see the immoral behavior.

I fear that if this adult "entertainment" is allowed in public venue we will be causing irreparable harm to the mental health of our children.

Thank you for your efforts to protect the children.

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