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To: Honorable Members of the Committee From: FF/P Dustin Engled

Ref: Fire Station 18
02 October 2023

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to you today in hopes to gain your support for HB244. Rep. Jean Schmidt introduced this bill to provide 2.5 million dollars to our community to assist in the rebuilding of Goshen Township Fire and EMS main headquarter station. It has been over a year since the tornado struck and damaged our building. Last week our township trustees made the decision to tear the forty-year-old structure down and begin the process to replace it with a brand new, code complaint fire house. Our department reorganized its current staffing model and created a temporary substation comprised of a single wide mobile home as the living quarters and a shared garage with the township service department for our fire and EMS apparatus. The members of the fire department are making the best of the situation with this temporary structure but it has its own challenges associated. The approval of this bill would allow Goshen Township to fund the new fire headquarters without any out of pocket costs, such as a new loan to the township and, more importantly, no new taxes to the great residents of Goshen Township. As a Goshen township, Ohio resident and a member of Goshen Township Fire and EMS, I respectfully request your approval of this bill.

Thank you for your time,

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Dustin Engled

Firefighter/Paramedic Goshen Township Fire and EMS

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WITNESS INFORMATION FORM

Please complete the Witness Information Form before testifying:

Date: 10/02/2023
Name: Dustin Engled
Are you representing: Yourself Organization X
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