

## VIOLET TOWNSHIP

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Ohio House of Representatives 77 South High Street Floor thirteen Columbus, Ohio 43215

Attention: Jeff LaRe

Dear Members of House Finance Committee:

Chairman Edwards, Vice Chair LaRae, Ranking Member Sweeney, and members of the House Finance Committee, on behalf of Violet Township, we would like to offer our support of HB 315, the Township Omnibus Bill. More specifically, we ask for the inclusion of a provision included in the original version of the bill that would allow large urban townships that have adopted limited home rule the authority to form a new community authority."

The NCA, New Community Authority, adds another source of revenue for Townships. Expanding the eligibility of Townships that have adopted limited home rule pursuant to R.C. 504 and that are designated urban Townships will allow economic development within the Township. We have limited resources and limited ability to raise revenue. Therefore, it is especially important that NCA remains in HB315.

Sincerely,

William Vincent Utterback Township Administrator