

Chair Manning, Vice Chage Fowler Arthur, Ranking Membre Robinson and members of the House Primary and Secondary Education Committee

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on House Bill 445.

My name is Mary DiYanni, and I am a resident of Franklin County, Ohio

I am advocating for HB 445.

Words have meaning and they matter. In this case, a lot! The difference between “may’ versus “shall” can make all the difference in the world.

Please consider supporting House Bill 445. We cannot allow Ohio school boards to determine if and to whom they’ll permit released time to. It is a parents right to choose character – based religious instruction during the school day . Protecting that constitutional right is paramount.

Thank you for allowing me an opportunity to express my support of the bill.

Respectfully,

Mary DiYanni