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Hello,

My name is Yvonne Negrelli and I am submitting my Proponent/Opponent/Interested Party testimony and witness form for Senate Bill 9 for the March 14, 2023 General Government Committee Meeting. I wish to only provide written testimony/present my testimony orally. You can find the testimony below in this email. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Chairman Rulli, Vice Chair Schuring, Ranking Member DeMora, and members of the General Government Committee.

Thank you for allowing my testimony today for the Senate Bill 9 of the 135th General Assembly which would revise the current medical marijuana law in Ohio.

I am 66 years old. My cousin Kathy Bernas is 67. She has suffered with Crohns disease since she was 16. They didn't know what it really was until she was in her 40s. By that time most of her colon was surgically removed. She could not work or function normally on a daily basis because of the pain and constant diarrhea. Last May 2022, I suggested that she get her medical marijuana card. We went to Green Harvest Health. Dr. Bridget Williams agreed that marijuana will help her. I'm happy to report that Kathy has been pain free since then. I have watched her suffer for nearly 50 years. This is truly a miracle. She is like a different person. It kept her off opiates!

I urge you to support/vote against Senate Bill 9 on behalf of all Ohio Patients and Kathy. Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

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