

Good morning, Chair Kunze, Vice Chair Rieneke, Ranking member Antonio, and the members of the Transportation Committee, Thank you for listening to us today. My name is Shrea Kellums. I have been working very hard on trying to get this interchange wording out of law. If this happens, it will definitely take my home by eminent domain. For the last year, I have been going to Council meetings in Strongsville and Brunswick. since the beginning, I have gone to parks, the library, outside of our Rec Center, and farmer markets every week to get signatures for our petition. We have gotten 3000 signatures.

We walked neighborhoods and handed out flyers to residents to inform them that this was happening. I have had to put my life on hold for a year. This has been like a full-time job, but I have to fight because I don't want to lose my home and my neighborhood. We have gone to the Strongsville Council meeting, and we're ignored, yelled at, and lied to. and they tried to intimidate us with many Police in the room. It has been the most stressful time of my life. We have lived in our home for 30-plus years. In 3 years, I will be able to retire. We have been fixing our home up because of retirement. We just got new siding on our home, and now are remodeling our kitchen, Was getting the new siding a mistake? is it a mistake to remodel our kitchen. I love my neighborhood. I love my city, everyone is so friendly and nice. Boston Rd is a beautiful 2 lane county hilly road and would hate for it to turn into a 6 lane highway. I can not understand how it is safe to put an interchange into a residential area. We know that I 71 is one of the highest for Trafficking so putting an interchange in a neighborhood is not safe, and my feelings are that eminent domain could not be used in this situation. We would deserve a substantial amount of money for our homes. This past year, we have all lost value in our homes because of this situation, I would be lucky to get 200 thousand by eminent domain. Tell me where would I go to replace my home for that. I have lost about 100 thousand on my home because of this. Since the last time we were there, my neighbor tried to sell her home because her husband passed away, but she could not. Was that fair for her to have the stress of her husband passing, and then because of this unfair situation, she can't sell her home and lose value on homes? I say not. plus, the study came back that it is not Brunswick residents who are causing the traffic on RT 82. it came back that 8% heads onto Boston Road and 2.5 % heads I to Brunswick. As you know, Boston Road is past Strongsville and Brunswick I am also worried that this could bankrupt Brunswick because we have a jet fuel pipeline on the Brunswick side of the street which would cost millions of dollars and Brunswick would have to pay for it. Because of this pipeline and how far it needs to be from a home, it would take 40 to 90 homes by the unfair act of eminent domain. I am asking you to please repeal 5501.60 and support S.B.155. I really want to save my neighborhood. Thank you again. please put yourself in our shoes. this is definitely the government overstepping their boundaries. I have to be very honest because of all this, I have lost a lot of faith in politicians, and I'm hoping you can bring my faith back by getting rid of this crazy idea that a Strongsville politician had in mind. Do the right thing. I also want to make note of this, I am not down there because I have already used 3 personal days and would not get paid for the day if I took it off. this really is a lot to ask us to come down again when we did it already. it takes us 2 hours to go down there, plus it was very last minute. Thank you, Shrea Kellums

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