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Dear representatives,

I am an Ohio resident writing to respectfully ask you to protect adult access to natural kratom and support a regulatory approach to H.B. 587, and not a prohibitionist one. The kratom leaf in its all natural and unadulterated form is a wonderful and highly effective medicinal plant that truly helps so many people with a wide myriad of health issues. For years I have suffered from serious nervous system issues and all natural kratom has been a godsend and the only remedy that has truly helped make a positive difference in my life and health. As responsible and sovereign adults people should absolutely have the right and access to choose which medicines and approaches to personal health and wellbeing we wish to pursue. We all have unique situations and biochemistry, and as such it is very important to have a variety of different tools (i.e. medicines) and treatment options available. And for a great number of people one of the greatest tools we currently have available is the kratom leaf. This is a plant which has centuries of safe use by literally millions of people worldwide. I think the majority of informed and educated individuals would agree that regulation, and not prohibition, is an important step in the right direction. Regulation and quality control are necessary for any type of medicine or drug, and kratom is no exception. Of equal importance is the access and freedom of choice that should be an intrinsic right of every responsible adult citizen. To be clear I am advocating for the protection of adult access to the kratom leaf in its all natural and unadulterated form, and not for the highly concentrated synthetic and derivative forms. As an Ohio citizen I strongly support HB 587 Thank you very much for your time and consideration in this matter.