

I am writing to support House Bill 17, which would amend section 5713.041 of the Revised Code to classify certain storage condominiums as residential property for tax purposes. I own a "car condo" in Horsepower Farms in Powell, Ohio. I purchased it to store several classic Mustangs I own. I have personalized my unit with a bathroom and shower, along with a mezzanine that has a small kitchen, lounge area, and office space. The lounge area displays classic car memorabilia that I have accumulated over the years. It is an extension of my home in that regard. In the fall, I host friends to watch Ohio State football games. I sometimes work from my unit, just to get out of my home office.

To me, Horsepower Farms is more than just vehicle storage. As a community, we have hosted multiple "Cars and Condos" events, which provide us owners with opportunities for socializing and meeting other car enthusiasts. Most weekends in the summer, owners are at their units with the doors open. I have met so many people with different tastes in cars, but we all share the same passion for classic automobiles. Horsepower Farms provides us with a safe and secure environment to enjoy our passion.

I support the passage of H.B. No. 17, and I urge the Ohio Legislature to pass this bill.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Evans". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Evans" clearly distinguishable.

John Evans