Testimony of Donna Daniel in Support of HJR2

My name is Donna Daniel. I am a resident of Scioto County. I was born here. I grew up being taught American history and how fortunate I was to be growing up in a free country. I was taught about the American Revolution, States Rights, the Civil War. I was taught the privilege of voting. I was taught to honor and respect the privilege of being an American. I was taught the difference between a republic and a democracy. I was taught the difference between freedom and all other forms of non-free governments.

A republic is a form of government ruled by a constitution. Our Constitutional Republic, America, is specifically designed to limit the power of the government and protect the individual.

Every day at school we started our day by saying the Pledge of Allegiance to America:

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

This is not just some sentence we said every day. It means something important. It means: I SOLEMNLY PROMISE to be LOYAL AND COMMITTED to MY United States of AMERICA and to MY Republic. Every time we see our American Flag it is supposed to remind us of our PROMISE OF LOYALTY to our AMERICAN Republic.

It saddens me that we no longer recite this, we no longer teach it, and most of us can no longer even say it or even know what its purpose is. The concept of being loyal to America is a dying way of life. But it is more than that. Those of us that grew up this way, have worked our whole lives living under this type of government. The government took our money and called that money "taxes". The government has done this all our lives. The taxes were supposed to pay for the liberties and privileges and protection of the citizens. These are suddenly being stolen from us by our own rogue government. Even our most basic and fundamental American right and privilege of voting as citizens is being nullified. Non-citizens are being allowed to vote here in Ohio and other states. This is against The Constitution of the United States of America, and also against the Constitution of the State of Ohio.

We essentially have no border protecting our country. Even the United Nations says you cannot be a country without protected borders. Yet, our government is letting so many illegal immigrants enter our country daily that it has well exceeded 10 million in just the last 3 years. The number 10 million was provided by this rogue government which means it is closer to 20 million. This over-run of our country is by design. The purpose is to fill our country, sanctuary cities and sanctuary states with non-Americans, give them my money, use my money to shelter them, feed them, give them medical care, and let them vote. This activity, permitted by our government, is stealing my money and seems to be using it as bribery to buy the votes from illegals. This is a silent coup of our America by a rogue government run by globalists. Greed and power mongering has overtaken our federal government.

This battle that our out-of-control government is waging against its own citizens

is <u>extremely personal</u> to me. I have worked my whole life, paying taxes and doing what a good American does. Due to circumstances beyond my control, I started life over at 47. And now at the age of 66, my biggest threat is my own government. Now, they want to keep the money they took from me spanning my lifetime with the commitment to return it when I became 6 years old. Yet, they are proposing to eliminate this obligation to those of us they stole it from. IT IS MY MONEY! GIVE IT BACK!

The United States of America was designed to be run from the bottom up by citizens making their desires known to their representatives in legislature. I AM MAKING MY DESIRES KNOWN TO MY OHIO LEGISLATURE. I, as a citizen of Ohio and of America, PRAY and REQUEST and EXPRESS that I believe that a Convention of States invoked by Article V of the United States Constitution is our best hope of saving the American way of life and our great country not only for those of us that remain but for children, grandchildren and generations beyond.

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