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The Honorable Jane Timken
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1 Capital Square, Room 134
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Subject: Proposed Legislation Limiting Real Property Ownership

I would submit to you and to your colleagues that legislation prohibiting home ownership to lawful residents of this country is of the order of a **BILL OF ATTAINDER** as denounced in Article One, Sections #9 and #10 of the Federal Constitution solely on the basis of their ancestral status having been born abroad.

To the extent that it pretends to mandate the divestiture of homes already in their possession, it qualifies as an **EX POST FACTO** that is to say **retroactive** law likewise twice prohibited by the Constitution. I cannot doubt that the corresponding provisions of the Ohio Constitution do the same. The proposed legislation, moreover, flies in the face of the Due Process clauses of the **FIFTH** and **FOURTEENTH AMENDMENTS** and the **EQUAL PROTECTION** clause of the **FOURTEENTH**. I trust that you will be good enough to share my thoughts with the other members of your Committee as I will with my Delaware County delegation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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