Testimony Against Senate Bill 88 Submitted by: Yana Chen Testifying as Opponent

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Chair Roegner, Vice-Chair Gavarone, Ranking Member Blackshear, and Members of the Senate General Government Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in opposition to Senate Bill 88. My name is Yana Chen. My husband and I are proud parents of two children—a 12-year-old daughter and an 8-year-old son—both born and raised here in Ohio. We have been residents of this state for more than 12 years and currently live in Solon.

Over the years, we have actively contributed to our community. I've served as a PTA member at Solon schools, coached Science Olympiad teams, and volunteered at local food banks, among other efforts to give back.

I respectfully urge you to oppose Senate Bill 88. This bill is discriminatory—it targets Asian communities, fosters racial profiling, and unfairly singles out lawful immigrants. It does not advance our national security, but instead undermines the well-being of our children, the strength of our economy, and the unity of our communities.

Senate Bill 88 is a step in the wrong direction. I ask you to stand against it and protect the inclusive, diverse future of Ohio.

Please oppose Senate Bill88. Thank you!

Sincerely, Yana Chen