

S.B. 14
Written Proponent Testimony

Senate Government Oversight and Reform Committee

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Chair Manchester, Vice Chair Brenner, Ranking Member Weinstein and members of the Senate Government Oversight and Reform Committee:

Thank you for allowing me to present testimony in support of Senate Bill 14, which aims to establish September 28th as Speaker Jo Ann Davidson Day. This legislation fittingly pays tribute to Speaker Jo Ann Davidson, a trailblazer whose leadership and enduring influence have left an indelible mark on my life, the lives of other women, and countless people throughout Ohio.

Over the years, I have had the honor of witnessing Speaker Davidson's exceptional leadership, unshakeable integrity, and unwavering commitment to empowering others. Her mentorship and encouragement have had a profound impact, inspiring me to navigate my own path with courage and conviction. Speaker Davidson embodies the principles of strength, public service, and steadfast dedication, which this legislation seeks to honor.

The establishment of Speaker Jo Ann Davidson Day will not only recognize her incredible achievements but also encourage future generations to follow her example. It is a fitting way to celebrate her legacy and inspire others to strive for excellence in leadership and service.

Chair Manchester and members of the committee, I urge your support for Senate Bill 14. Thank you for your consideration and for the opportunity to share my thoughts on this important legislation. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.