

Chairman Edwards, Vice-Chair Powell, Ranking Member Upchurch, and members of the House Economic and Workforce Development Committee, thank you for allowing me to provide proponent testimony on Senate Bill 105.

As the founder of an OHIO 5013c non-profit and member of OHIO's Secretary of State Frank LaRose, Diversity and Empowerment (DEC) Statewide Committee Member. This opportunity to provide a testimony that impacts legislation is very vital and critical to communities around the State of Ohio.

OHIOANS from all walks of life have continued to be resilient in creating opportunities in arguably the most challenging time in our history. Youth and families are continuing to make ends meet, such as investing in their own entrepreneurial abilities. Over the past summer in Toledo and NW OHIO, the CityPark League (CPL) Resource Group Inc. coordinated 20 small business events (i.e; "Pop-Ups" Shop) and connected with over 200 small business entities. In many communities across the state, our organization has witnessed the challenges that small businesses and entrepreneurs are experiencing with limited or no access to relationships or starting capital.

Senate Bill 105 will help to provide Ohioans "key essential" resources to create long-term success for small businesses and entrepreneurial growth. Administrator

Again, thank you for allowing me to provide my personal testimony on SB 105.

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