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*Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on House Bill 248.*

*My name is Siobhan Justin and I am a retired RN. The reason I support House Bill 248 is because no medical intervention, no matter how worthy it is deemed to be, should ever be made mandatory, because mandatory medical interventions deny the individual the right to informed consent and also denies the reality that some people would be harmed or even killed by the medical intervention.*

*I developed an autoimmune disorder after vaccines received in the course of my employment and as such I have chosen to forgo any vaccines in the future.*

*Subsequently, I have spent a considerable amount of time and effort to learn how to prevent and treat viral illness and have developed my own personal protocols based upon my self-directed education.*

*It would be disingenuous to say that I am putting myself and others at risk by declining future vaccines, because rather than simply hoping that I don't succumb to severe viral illness I have proactively learned how to care for my own health. Not to mention, should I develop a transmissible illness I know to stay out of the public if there is a chance that I could potentially transmit it in the community.*

*Vaccines have their place in society however they are not appropriate for all persons in all circumstances and at all times. A thorough risk/benefit analysis should always be undertaken prior to the recommendation of and the consent for a vaccine. Sadly this is not being done and many people are being regularly harmed by vaccines that have been administered without the proper evaluation of the individual for whom they are prescribed.*

*Ohio HB248 allows for the choice to consent to a vaccine or to decline a vaccine. It also prevents the government or businesses from discriminating against persons who have*

*made the decision to forgo vaccination in lieu of other methods of self-care or the care of their children. Parents have the responsibility and the right to direct the care and nurture of their own children. No other entity is endowed to do so.*

*I strongly support HB248: The Vaccine Choice & Anti-discrimination Act in its current language. If this bill gets watered down into meaninglessness I will no longer support it.*

*HB248 is 'The Bill To Die On'. It is crucial for protecting ALL Ohioans from unconstitutional government and corporate usurpation of our inalienable right to bodily integrity and autonomy!*

*This Act is supported by the citizens of Ohio even if it is opposed by organizations who claim to represent us.*

*Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency of House Bill 248.*

*Sincerely,*

*Mrs. Siobhan Justin, RN*