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GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET COMMITTEE

In Support Of SJR 4

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Respectfully Chairman Peterson, Vice Chairman Cirino, Ranking Member Craig and committed members of the Committee:

I have been a life-long resident of Ohio, retiring from three professional careers: practicing dentistry for nearly twenty-one years; five years in financial planning and investment management; and nearly seventeen years as a professionally certified business coach. My fourth career is that of being PaPa Ron to five granddaughters all under the age of five and a half. I am writing on behalf of the horrors I am witnessing beset our country and the perils for all of we patriotic American's and most notably for the potential dreadful future for my grandkids and millions other like them. My wish is that this testimony will optimistically encourage your attitude of support for the passage of SJR4.

Any citizen who is wakeful, conscious, and contemporary can see the total shift in the behavior, leadership, and philosophy of our Republic. The bombastic indulgences of the Washington Beltway ruling class has so engulfed our liberties as Americans I fear we are losing not only our identity but our freedoms. The Founders of our great Republic knew that Congress, with their penchant for power and control, would never limit their self-serving federal supremacy. Accordingly, they incorporated a way for the states to propose amendments to reign in this power and retain control of the government and keep it in the hands of the States, we, the people as intended in the Constitution. The Founders, by virtue of Article V of our U.S. Constitution, gave us a legitimate path to save our liberty and subvert tyranny. We must use the power granted to the states in the Constitution to convene a Convention of States with the sole intent and focus of proposing amendments.

I am soliciting every Committee member to unify with me, in a non-partisan way, along with over 100,000 Ohio petition signers, in supporting the use of Article V of the Constitution to call a convention for a **particular subject**: reducing the power of Washington, D.C. Support us in reigning in the major abuses perpetrated by the federal government: the federal spending and debt spree; the power grabs of the federal courts; and the unending terms of our congresspersons, federal judges, and bureaucrats.

Ladies and gentlemen, I implore you to join with me and an activist army of liberty-loving Ohioans to support an affirmative State and Local Government committee vote on SJR4 to bring it to a full Senate vote for the support and the strong call for a Convention of States.

Unite with the other 19 states who have done the same. I'm looking for those brave patriots who will face them with us.

Please accept my appreciation for your service to our people. I served two terms as City Council President in North Ridgeville, Ohio and I know how much one's hard and good efforts often go unnoticed nor appreciated. Thank you.

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