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**Sponsor Testimony- Senate Bill 309**  
**Ohio Senate Transportation Committee**  
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Chairwoman Kunze, Vice-Chair Reineke, Ranking Member Antonio and members of the Senate Transportation Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Bill 309.

Senate Bill 309 will designate the portion of State Route 7 through Jefferson County as the “Sheriff Fredrick J. Abdalla Memorial Highway.”

Sheriff Abdalla dedicated his life serving others. He served two years in the U.S. Army in Vietnam during the Vietnam War and earned numerous decorations for his military service, 13 years as Mayor for the people of the Village of Stratton and as Sheriff for the people of Jefferson County.

He passed away on February 21, 2022, having served over 37 years as the Jefferson County Sheriff- Ohio’s longest serving active Sheriff.

It is fitting that we dedicate this portion of State Route 7 in honor of him and his lifelong service to Jefferson County.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide sponsor testimony for Senate Bill 309.