Testimony to the Ohio House Education & Career Readiness Committee On House Bill 200 October 9, 2017

Chair Brenner, Vice Chair Slaby, Ranking Member Fedor, and Members of the Education & Career Readiness Committee, thank you for conducting this hearing and for the opportunity to provide testimony by letter.

Greetings! My name is Tamera Eckloff and my 3 children have gone to Emmanuel Christian School since the Fall of 2015. This strongly desired educational opportunity was only possible due to the scholarship of Ed Choice. We are extremely grateful for this opportunity to send our children to such a wonderful school where teachers and staff tenderly care about each individual as well as what they learn. At Emmanuel, Jesus Christ is invited into each classroom as God the Son, and Creator of the Universe. Biblical truth is also welcomed into the center of their education. I believe these are keys to optimum success!

I ask that you would continue to provide maximum scholarships to as many families as possible in the state of Ohio. HB 200 seems to be an open door for Ohio citizens to qualify for necessary financial help to attend their school of choice. I certainly want others to benefit from Ohio's Ed Choice as much as our family has!

Our children's future is greatly being shaped by the love and high quality of education they are receiving at Emmanuel Christian School. Once again, thank you for playing such a great role in providing for their best education!

Sincerely,

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