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Written testimony in support of HR 74
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As a member of American Promise Ohio, I am pleased that HR 74 is open for hearings. I have read the written testimony of one of our members, Ellen Greene Bush, and wholeheartedly agree with her reasoning as a proponent of this resolution.

Why did I become an advocate for a 28th amendment? Opioid addiction. It is a crisis in our state. How is it that opioids became so easily obtainable? A Washington Post and 60 Minutes report revealed a targeted lobbying effort that directed 1.5 million dollars to the re-election of 23 lawmakers who then voted for a law that weakened the Drug Enforcement Administration's ability to stop drug distribution to the black market. Big money in politics led to opioid availability.

As citizens we need to join together as Democrats and Republicans to solve this problem that is hurting our democracy. I urge you to support HR 74.

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