

State Representative Alicia Reece House District 33

Chairman Green, Vice Chairman Greenspan, Ranking Member Sheehy and members of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee. Thank you for taking the time today to consider House Bill 447, which will create an Amaranth Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star Inc. license plate.

Today I am joined by my sisters and brothers of Amaranth Grand Chapter under the leadership of our state leader – Grand Worthy Matron Janette Langford to present HB447 which will acknowledge and pay tribute to the Order of the Eastern Star; the world's largest fraternal organization in world to which both men and women belong.

This license plate will commemorate the charity and unity work of The Amaranth Grand Chapter of Ohio that dates back to 1878 with only three chapters at that time and now has over 3500 members, has 45 chapters throughout Ohio, and is an affiliate of the Prince Hall Masonic family with over 10,000 members throughout the state of Ohio.

Amaranth Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star Inc. Foundation was organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes. The

organization is a role model for girls for mentorship, college scholarship, and youth development by sponsoring Girls Assembly Chapters around the state.

These chapters are made up of girls between the ages of 8 through 18 years of age.

Today, I ask for your support of HB447 – The Amaranth Grand Chapter license plate in the State of Ohio. Thank you again for your consideration and I welcome any questions you may have.