

## The Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Ohio



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The Honorable Rick Perales, Chairman, Ohio House Armed Services, Veterans Affairs and Public Safety Committee <etc>.

## Greetings:

Human history is forever!

Unless human folly, human greed, or human malice make it nevermore!

With House Bill 155, "The Ohio Veterans' Heritage Protection Act", you have the truly rare opportunity to take a significant step to impede the loss of history in the State of Ohio.

This is particularly important for the Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Ohio. After all, a complete historical map of the State would be peppered with countless dots representing battles, skirmishes, forts, camps, blockhouses, and myriad other sites of significance in that war.

It was in Ohio that much of the military action of the War of 1812 took place. Thousands of Ohio men and boys served in the military and naval forces of the United States and in the many, many companies of the Ohio Militia, both within the State, elsewhere in this country, and in what is now Canada. It was in Ohio that General William Henry Harrison made his eventual home, and where his remains rest to this very day....

Nor is it only for the activities of its citizens during the War of 1812 that the State is justly proud. Ohioans have served the nation honorably since even before the State was officially founded in 1803.

Your adopting House Bill 155 would pay homage to all those individuals who fought to make our great nation, and our fair state, what they are today. This action especially would honor living veterans, who reside, work, and vote in Ohio, and who selflessly served in our nation's armed forces.

I most strongly urge passage of House Bill 155, "The Ohio Veterans' Heritage Protection Act" --

For those Ohioans who gave their lives so that our state, and our country, could live and prosper;

For those Ohioans who, as veterans, live within our state today;

For those Ohioans yet to be born, so they will have tangible evidence of our state's history -----

Forever!

Yours most sincerely,

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