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Ohio House of Representatives 77 S. High Street Columbus, OH 43215

Representative George Lang, Chair Representative Phil Plummer, Vice Chair Representative David Leland, Ranking Member

Thank you for your dedicated service to the citizens of Ohio, specifically by serving as leaders of the House Criminal Justice Committee. It has been brought to my attention that a substantive bill is before your committee, Sub Senate Bill 3, with the intent to reform drug sentencing laws.

As a member of the Cleveland Ten Point Steering Committee, I am excited that the Ohio Legislature is doing what it can to make sure more of our citizens are living out their God-given potential outside of prison with services being offered that help provide those trapped in the cycle of addiction a way out.

Ten Point Coalition is a highly successful youth organization based out of Indianapolis, Indiana that is soon to replicate in Ohio, starting in Cleveland. Via a faith based and collaborative approach, Ten Point endeavors to intervene in the lives of the at-risk population between the ages of 12-24 through a boots on the ground mission. Helping citizens get off the streets and into the Ohio economy is a huge priority of Ten Point and Senate Bill 3. Many of those engaged by Ten Point are dealing with multi-generational addiction issues. Senate Bill 3 can help make sure services are provided that help break those addictions.

In closing, by helping Sub Senate Bill 3 clear your esteemed committee, receive a vote on the House Floor and become law via the Ohio Revised Code, can help many struggling with drug addictions enter a path in society that empowers them to overcome the obstacles they face and live purposeful lives.

Thank you again to your service to Ohio citizens. May you and the members of the Ohio House Criminal Justice Committee be led to make the best decisions possible and may you have a blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday Season.

With gratitude,

Robert M. Kilo Cleveland Ten Point Steering Committee