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Great honor to Chairman Derek Merrin, Vice Chairman Don Manning, Ranking Member Jaine Boyd and the members of the House Health Committee.

I'm Franklin Culver, the senior and founding pastor of the Resurrection Power Church, located at 81 Price Rd. Gahanna, Ohio.

I'm writing and testifying to urge you to declare and decree pornography as a public health hazard that impacts the social fabric of our communities, both local and national.

My career span has involved at risk youths for more than three decades. Several of those years were spent in Franklin county as a youth probation officer, an Inner system Planner, and a wraparound specialist and consultant for Columbus public schools.

Doing the course of my expansive duty and career, I've served and witness so many youths crumbling under the devastating effect of pornography. As a result of this, it behooved me to build protective factors for this high-risk element, better known as "porn".

Several protective factors were put in place until porn became omnipresent. That's probably a literal statement, porn is present in every place!

From an empirical perspective, I've noticed the Crumbling effect of pornography on children. This effect is three-fold in nature:

- 1. Neuroplasticity effect......the process by which the brain creates new neural networks by constantly reorganizing itself. *Doing this process children are caught up in a chemical web*.
- 2. Devastation of imagination effect.....with a wild imagination that's lit by the images of porn, children are building a world of pleasure at the expense of the innocent. The story of a young man who violently raped an elderly woman as a result of a lit imagination.
- 3. Seed effect of pornography......porn carries its own seed., here is the blind spot of porn. Porn produces other vices!

If this declaration and decree concerning pornography is put into effect, we can rescue a crumbling city and perhaps a nation.

Sincerely,

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