

# Green Township

Mahoning County

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Ohio House of Representatives  
Representative Al Cutrona  
Columbus, Ohio

Dear Representative Cutrona,

The Green Township Trustees, Mahoning County, Ohio are opposed to the Mill Creek Metro Parks eminent domain grab of the Calla Cemetery property owned by Green Township. We are in favor of H. B.63.

The addition to the Calla Cemetery was purchased with cemetery appropriated monies in the early 1990s for addition cemetery plots for those wishing to bury their loved ones.

Ohio Revised Code does not allow for eminent domain of cemetery properties. The Metro Parks wants to run the trail through our cemetery. They do not understand that it is against Ohio Revised Code to take cemetery property.

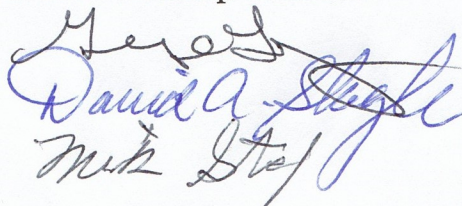
They need to be stopped in their endeavor to take land that is not allowed to be taken. The vast majority of landowners that are effected by the bikeway are against their land being taken.

We need your help in stopping them from running an unnecessary bike trail through the Calla Cemetery and chopping up residents properties. Washingtonville Road has been designated as an Ohio bikeway for over 20 years. That is where they need to run the bikeway. Washingtonville Road, a two lane road with a sixty foot right of way, runs parallel to the proposed bikeway that starts less than one hundred feet from Washingtonville Road in Green Township and ends on Washingtonville Road in Green Township, Village of Washingtonville, Ohio.

As elected officials of Green Township, it would be wonderful if would have some say in projects like this.

Please support House Bill 63.

Very truly yours,  
Green Township Trustees

Handwritten signatures in blue ink, including the name David A. Stegall and another signature that appears to be Mike Stegall.