Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on House Bill 248.

My name is Rose Melko and I am a lunch monitor for kindergarten school children and a substitute van driver for a school district in Lorain County and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because I want the right and the choice to decide what goes in my body. No one is responsible for my health except me. Each person is responsible for their own health & what goes in their body. Why do people have to be forced to take an experimental shot that is not proven safe & effective for the Covid-19s that has a recovery rate of 99.97% without the shot.

All vaccines and passports can never be required as a condition for commerce.

There are many laws that protect individuals from forced medical interventions. Here are just a few...

1. EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION LIMITATIONS on All COVID-19 vaccines, which are under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) and cannot be made mandatory.

On its website, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) notes the following: "...Recipients must be informed... that they have the option to accept or refuse the vaccine."

2. Forced vaccination violates the right to privacy, which is protected, secured and guaranteed by the 4th Amendment of the US and the Ohio Constitution.

Medical freedom to choose is important to me and my family. Please, I urge you to pass HB 248 for all Ohioans.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency to pass House Bill 248 The Vaccine Choice and Anti-Discrimination Act.

Sincerely,

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