Testimony of Shirley Walborn in support of HJR1

Chairman Wiggam, Vice-Chair John, Ranking member Kelly; Thank you for this opportunity to share my perspective as a proponent of HJR1 in the State and Local Government Committee.

My story is one of the Federal Government preventing many of its citizens from receiving Ivermectin as an element of a preventive protocol for COVID-19. In June 2021 I was able to receive my first prescription for Ivermectin, approved through Express Scripts. Five months later when I spoke with Express Scripts to inquire about the status of Ivermectin, I was told that the FDA has not approved the use of Ivermectin for the **prevention** of COVID; it can, however, be used in treating hospital patients. The only recourse remaining was to use a Compounding Pharmacy and pay from my pocket without using my Medicare insurance.

Then I used Congressman Turner's website to inquire how some members of Congress were using Ivermectin to fight COVID-19. I wanted to know how they were able to get a medication that is forbidden for use outside the hospital. I am still waiting for his answer.

For these reasons, I ask you to vote in favor of HJR1.

Our Founding Fathers gave more powers to the States so that we, the people, would be closer to the legislators creating the laws. I am now more aware that I must encourage my state legislators to seriously consider ways of reclaiming the powers that the Federal Government has taken. This is the reason I have joined the Convention of States Action.

I thank you for your service to me and the citizens of Ohio.

Sincerely,

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