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The Honorable Robert Cupp Speaker of the House 77 S High Street, 13th Floor Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Speaker Cupp:

As Mayor of the Village of Evendale, former President of the Ohio Senate, and on behalf of the Village of Evendale business community and our citizens, I urge you to not adopt any legislation that makes changes to the work from home policies at this time. I respectfully request sufficient time be afforded to municipalities and businesses alike to allow for the administrative and financial impacts of any change to the work from home policies.

Our earnings tax receipts are our primary source of revenue. The population of our Village is just under 3,000 residents. Compare this to our daytime **work** population of approximately 21,000. The repeal of Section 29 of HB 197 would radically change the local income tax revenue collection structure throughout the State of Ohio and would be an incredible hardship on communities like ours.

In order to fully understand the future impact of work-from-home polices, I respectfully request a task force be established to gather data from municipalities and businesses, so that the data may be analyzed to fully understand the future impact of such work-from-home policies on municipalities and as well as on the state's economy.

I join with the municipalities across the State of Ohio, and with the Ohio Municipal League, in urging that no legislation be adopted to enact such a repeal of Section 29 of HB 197. I urge you to oppose any legislation that would further reduce our primary source of revenue.

Sincerely –

## Richard H Finan

Richard H. Finan, Mayor Village of Evendale

cc: Ohio Municipal League