

Chairman Mark Johnson Ohio House Commerce & Labor Committee 41 S. High Street Columbus, OH 43215

Chairman Johnson, Vice Chair Manchester, Ranking Member McNally and members of the House Commerce & Labor Committee:

MMC Contractors is a licensed contractor in the State of Ohio currently building multiple large industrial projects in New Albany, OH and Jeffersonville, OH as well as recently completing work in Cleveland, OH. MMC Contractors supports HB 327.

With over 1,200 employees across the United States, MMC Contractors has voluntarily implemented the use of E-Verify. The service is free and gives us peace of mind that we are hiring people that are legally allowed to work in this country and paying their fair share of taxes.

Just recently in Ohio, through the use of the E-Verify program, we identified an individual with a fake social security number and was attempting to work illegally. We were able to immediately remove this worker from our site and provide the opportunity to work to another individual who is verified to work in the United States.

We appreciate the opportunity to submit this testimony and encourage you to pass HB 327.

Respectfully submitted, MMC CONTRACTORS NATIONAL, INC.

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