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Chairman Ghanbari, Vice Chair Plummer, Ranking Member Thomas, and the Members of the House Homeland Security Committee, thank you for the opportunity and honor to provide sponsor testimony on House Bill 213. This piece of legislation aims to create the Purdue University license plate to honor Purdue alumni who are living in Ohio.

Purdue University is among the top engineering colleges nationwide, and boasts an alumni network of over 600,000. Thousands of these alumni are Ohio natives, many of whom return to Ohio after earning degrees from Purdue. Hundreds of notable Ohio natives have earned degrees from Purdue, including the first man on the moon, Neil Armstrong.

Ohio vehicle owners wishing to equip the Purdue license plate will be required to contribute \$30 toward a treasury fund that will provide scholarships for Ohio students wishing to attend Purdue University. This is one more way we as Ohioans can help our young people obtain world-class education.

I would like to thank you again for the opportunity to testify on House Bill 213. At this time I would be happy to answer any questions.