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State Representative

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Thank you, Chairman McClain, Vice Chair Dobos Ranking Member Grim, and the members of the Transportation Committee for the chance to present to you House Bill 294, to Designate Delaware County Veterans Memorial Highway.

As some of you may know, I served in the Air National Guard as a Staff Sergeant at the Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base along with my husband. Additionally, I was Active Duty at the Pentagon during Operation Desert Storm and was in the International and Congressional Liaison Office.

My husband and I come from a long line of veterans dating back to the Revolutionary War and through today with my son serving active duty. It is the greatest privilege to be able to honor my fellow Veterans in my home county along with my colleague, Representative Lorenz.

On behalf of two of Veterans organizations in Delaware County, I would like to read their Resolutions in support of this bill.

(will proceed to read [resolutions](#))

In addition to support from these two groups, our Vietnam Veterans group in Delaware county, will be supportive if we amend the bill to include all of I-71 from the Franklin County Border in the South and the Morrow County Border in the North.

As a result, Representative Lorenz and I have requested an amendment. We are asking that you delay the vote until the next meeting so that you can amend the bill. And then we request that you pass it to honor all the Veterans in Delaware County. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beth Lear".

Beth Lear
State Representative