Senate Judiciary Committee Senate Bill 101 Written Testimony Only - Proponent

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Dear Chairman Manning, Vice Chair Reynolds, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson, and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

My name is Kristen Guappone. I am a resident of Summit County. Thank you for the opportunity to submit proponent testimony on Ohio Senate Bill 101.

I am a Catholic. As a Catholic, I believe all life is sacred and that all life has dignity and value. I also want to be a prosecuting attorney. I passed the July Ohio Bar Exam and I am being sworn in November 13, 2023. As a prosecuting attorney I would be convicting people of crimes such as murder, including some very heinous murders. If I sentence somebody to death for murder even a heinous one, I would be no better than the murderer. I want to be the better person. I want to stop the cycle of violence.

I ask you to consider my testimony and vote yes on this critically important bill. Thank you again for the opportunity to testify.