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My name is Dario Nardella and I am the Mayor of Florence in Tuscany (Italy), the first place ever in the world where a bill repealing the death penalty was signed, since November 30th 1786.

I am writing to express all support for House Bill 183 and Senate Bill 103, introducing a new legislation so to abolish the death penalty in Ohio.

Representing our local community, together with its longlasting history and commitment for justice together with life, now we can all witness a worldwide consolidated trend by decision makers to end the death penalty in most Countries and States.

Different civil and belief traditions can share a common ground of human values and, among them, rejecting the death penalty from our vision of justice and protection of the crime victims and of the most frail in our societies.

The Ohio legislators are praised for all progress towards the death penalty repeal, while their decisions on this issue are now even more in focus and consideration by our people and communities, in a raising worldwide awareness.

Thanks for your attention and acknowledgement

Best Regards,

Dario Nardella
Mayor of Florence

Palazzo Vecchio, 30th November 2021

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