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HB 5860

Good afternoon Chairman McDonald, Chairman Lawlor, and the members of the Judiciary Committee. I am here to testify in support of HB5860: An Act Concerning Notification of a Family or Household Member After a Motor Vehicle Fatality.

I have watched my dear friend, Ava Hill, go through every parent's nightmare and whose personal experience of the loss of her daughter Michelle has brought this bill before you. Since her beautiful daughter, Michelle, was killed almost two years ago, and in the hours and days that passed after her death, it was totally bizarre knowing that Ava was not being told where her daughter's body lay. Through Ava's terrific pain, her gigantic heart and unselfish nature continues. If you knew Ava personally, this would not surprise you. Her dream is to spare anyone else the pain she went through. I ask you respectfully to please vote "yes" for the passage of "Michelle's Law", HB5860.

Thank you.