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The Honorable Tom Raga
State Representative
Ohio House of Representatives
77 South High St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Tom:

I want to personally thank you for your introduction of Jarod's Law. As a parent and grandparent, I have made child safety a focus of my efforts in Congress and appreciate your dedication to this important issue, as well.

I was very saddened to hear about the loss of Jarod Bennett. My thoughts and prayers go to the Bennett family, and I praise their resolve and commitment to help ensure the safety of children in Ohio's schools. Students attending Ohio schools deserve nothing short of a safe atmosphere in which to learn, and I believe Jarod's Law has the potential to help realize this goal.

Again, thank you for your continued dedication to child safety.

Very respectfully yours,



MIKE DEWINE
United States Senator

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