

To: House Committee on Judiciary  
The Honorable John Barker, Chair

Date: February 4, 2015

Re: HB 2115, aka Mija Stockman's law

Chairman Barker and honorable members of the Judiciary committee,

I stand with Representative Mason and members of Mija Stockman's family in support of this bill. I appreciate their work and dedication to bring this issue to us.

As you hear the consequences of the referenced aggravated battery, I ask you to move forward with this change from a severity level 5 to a severity level 4 person felony when permanent disability results. Mija's life speaks to the need to increase the penalties for committing aggravated battery while driving under the influence.

The testimony of others will provide greater detail. I will keep my comments short only in the interest of avoiding redundancy. Thank you for your consideration.

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