



*Lynn R. Wachtmann*  
*State Representative, 75<sup>th</sup> House District*

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Ms. Denise Herman McColley  
Henry County Court of Common Pleas Judge  
660 North Perry Street, Suite 401  
Napoleon, Ohio 43545

Dear Honorable Judge McColley:

Thank you for your letter concerning the construction of a second river bridge in Napoleon. I always enjoy hearing from my constituents on the issues that matter most to them and I truly appreciate your expertise on this subject.

You may recall that during the original State Route 108 bridge discussions a few years ago, I urged the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to move forward with a second crossing. At that time, my initial request to ODOT was to build a second bridge before dividing Napoleon in half, so as to avoid the anticipated problems our community would certainly encounter; however, the compromise was to construct the new bridge in less than a year.

Although this was an acceptable compromise at the time, it failed to look forward to the growing needs of the people and future hopes for the economy of our region. I am a strong proponent of a second river bridge crossing as it will open doors to further economic growth, and I will continue to work diligently to bring this project to fruition.

Again, thank you for your letter and please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lynn R. Wachtmann".

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