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LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL: The Zebra Safety Framework

TO: Arizona State Senate / Rep. Khyll Powell | **FROM:** Holly Martinez, CEO, Voices For The Rare **DATE:** March 18, 2026 | **SUBJECT:** Enhancing **HB 2772** for Rare Disease Safety

I. THE ISSUE: The "Non-Compliance" Trap

For non-verbal or mobility-impaired Arizonans, "non-compliance" during emergency stops is often a medical reality. Without pre-approach indicators, these misunderstandings lead to escalated force—**Administrative Violence** in the field.

II. THE SOLUTIONS: Completing HB 2772

While **HB 2772** successfully establishes universal "Medical Indicators," the following "Zebra Safety" pillars are needed to ensure those indicators save lives:

1. **ALEA Database "Safety Flags" (Digital Awareness)**
 - a. Link a voluntary "**Communication Barrier**" flag to vehicle plates. Officers are notified *before* exiting their vehicle that the occupant may be non-verbal or physically unable to comply with commands.
2. **"Zebra" Specialty Plate (A.R.S. § 28-2403)**
 - a. Establish a Rare Disease Awareness plate. Revenue from the annual fee will fund **Medical Barrier & De-escalation Training** for first responders via the **Arizona RDAC**.
3. **Integrated ID Icons**
 - a. Support HB 2772's move to universal icons. Mandate the inclusion of the "International Symbol of Access" directly on IDs for those with permanent mobility issues.

III. THE "WHY": A CEO & Constituent Voice

"As a non-verbal patient and domestic instability survivor, my biggest threat is a lack of clarity. I need tools that allow peace officers to see my medical status before a situation escalates. This framework isn't just policy—it's a survival tool."
— **Holly Martinez, LD15**

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