April 25, 2025

The Honorable Joseph J. Solomon, Jr. Chair, House Corporations Committee State House Providence, RI 02903

Re: Opposition to House Bill – H 6155

Dear Chair Solomon:

On behalf of the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, I am writing in opposition to House Bill - H 6155 – "An Act Relating to Insurance – Unfair Claims Settlement Practices Act."

At a time when health care expenses continue to rise, this proposal would remove essential cost-containment measures and drive-up premiums and out-of-pocket costs by encouraging dental professionals to leave insurance networks.

Given that cost is still the biggest barrier to accessing dental care, it is necessary to keep systems that promote affordability and accountability. House Bill - H 6155 would have the opposite effect, raising costs, reducing protections and limiting access to care for Rhode Islanders.

We urge you to oppose this measure and protect businesses from higher premium expense. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Laurie White President