

## State of Rhode Island

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Representative Enrique George Sanchez. District 9

Committee on Corporations

Committee on Special Legislation

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Letter of Support 25 Bough Street

As the new State Representative of House District 9 in Providence, I am writing this letter of support for the 25 Bough Street project being developed in the community of Olneyville. Mr. Lanre Ajakaiye alongside his team have been working really hard on this project that will ultimately benefit the youth of Providence and of and all of Rhode Island. As the elected official on behalf of the State, it is essential that we invest in initiatives that will serve our communities in a positive way.

25 Bough Street would invest in a black and brown empowerment hub and zone for economic development as well as invest in Stem education and careers for black and brown youth. This project would bring a cultural experience museum which promotes and fosters cultural tourism for the city and state. It's important to add that the city of Providence still does not have an incubation hub and this would be the first of its kind in our city. It's imperative that we continue to invest in economic development and especially in institutions that will serve our most vulnerable communities. I'm honored to support 25 Bough Street.

All the best,

State Representative Enrique Sanchez