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Representative Marvin Abney, Chair RI House Finance Committee

Dear Chairman Abney and esteemed members of the House Finance Committee,

I am writing in support of House Bill 5473, also known as the "Revenue for Rhode Island" bill, sponsored by Representative Karen Alzate.

Rhode Islanders are facing the fastest rising rents in the country, and homelessness is rapidly increasing every year. People are having trouble affording basic goods like food, and prices are rising even more with the Trump tariffs. The wealthiest of the wealthy must be taxed in order to keep our state from plunging into an ever more cruel and deprived economic order. We need housing, medical care, food, and education to be funded by the wealthiest 1%, people who will not miss a penny of the wealth that is taxed.

Respectfully, Jacob Kramer