

April 14, 2026

House Finance Committee
Rhode Island State House
82 Smith St
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Chair Abney and members of the committee:

The Kennedy Plaza Resilience Coalition supports Rep. Cortvriend's H8178 which would increase RIPTA's share of the highway maintenance account to 20%. This funding would reverse recent bus cuts which have caused considerable hardship, and would allow RIPTA to expand service to pre-Covid levels.

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