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Dear Chairman Abney and Members of the House Finance Committee,

I'm writing to share my support for H7597.

As a member of the Economic Development Committee in Narragansett, I hear from people with great ideas who simply don't have the guidance or support to turn them into sustainable businesses. We don't have enough local resources to help them take those first critical steps.

That is why RIBBA's work matters. Organizations like RIBBA fill a critical void by providing practical, results-driven support that local governments are not equipped to deliver on their own.

RIBBA's work stands out as a truly grassroots organization that meets people where they are and helps them move forward with confidence. It creates real opportunity in a way that feels personal, practical, and deeply connected to the community.

This funding would help ensure that kind of support continues and reaches more Rhode Islanders who are ready to build something of their own.

I hope you'll support H7597.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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