

Dear Chairman Abney and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of [Organization/Individual], and as a constituent from [City/Town], I write in strong support of H8171, the Food As Medicine Pilot Program Act.

This legislation establishes a Food As Medicine Task Force to guide a targeted Medicaid pilot program. It builds on existing programs in Rhode Island and ensures future investments are data-driven and fiscally responsible.

I am a retired nurse and Meals on Wheels volunteer. I have a Master's degree in Informatics. I love data and information and I have seen firsthand the impact that data-driven access to good food has on a person's health and safety.

I respectfully urge the committee to support and pass H8171.

Sincerely,

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