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To: House Finance Committee
Subject: Article 9

Dear Chairman Abney & members of the Finance committee,

I would like to urge your strong support of Section 8 in this article to include \$800,000 in leveraged funding so that the Wavemaker Fellowship program can be opened up to applicants looking to enter the healthcare sector in Rhode Island. Frankly this was a field that should have been included in the initial inception of the program, as it may have been able to help ward off the chronic crisis in staffing among our healthcare entities within Rhode Island. Students graduating into the healthcare workforce often coming with mountains of debt on their shoulders and providing opportunities to decrease that burden while helping them into the field can go a long way to showing them they aren't as expendable as they've been treated during this pandemic.

Thank You,

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