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Women's Health and Education Fund

To:

Representative Susan Donovan, Chair of the House Committee on Health and Human Services

Honorable Members of the House Committee on Health and Human Services

From: Nicole Jellinek, Chair, Rhode Island Coalition for Reproductive Freedom

Date: February 14, 2024

Re:

Support for House Bill 7091 RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE

POLICIES -- LIFETIME LIMITS

Dear Members of the House Committee on Health and Human Services,

I write to express the support of the RI Coalition for Reproductive Freedom (RICRF) for House Bill 7091. As a Coalition seeking to protect access to reproductive freedom, we fully support codification of this protections into RI state law.

RICRF is a Coalition comprised of 27 organizations working together to share resources, build strategies and coordinate efforts to connect reproductive freedom with social and economic justice. We focus on advocacy and legislative action to enact change.

We offer this letter as support to ensure that Rhode Islanders will have the health insurance they need, and that it be affordable and accessible. The protections of the ACA have resulted in more access to necessary care for thousands of Rhode Islanders and we are grateful to you for codifying these protections into state law last year. Prohibiting annual and lifetime limits on health coverage is the next important step in ensuring care, and what this legislation would achieve.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter. We urge you to vote yes on House Bill 7091.



Nicole Jellinek, Chair, Rhode Island Coalition for Reproductive Freedom