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To: House Health and Human Services Committee
Subject: House Bill #5352

Dear Chairwoman Donovan and members of the House Health and Human Services Committee:

I write to you today in support of HB #5352 which will create a permanent Dementia Services Coordinator position at the Department of Health.

- This position would...
 1. Oversee the implementation and updating of the Alzheimer's State Plan
 2. Establish and maintain relationships with all relevant state agencies and community organizations in order to meet the community's needs and prevent duplication of services.
 3. Assess and analyze dementia-related data collected by the State
 4. Identify and support the development of dementia-specific trainings
 5. Identify service gaps within state government

Because we have over 24,000 Rhode Islanders living with Alzheimer's disease, I urge you to support this bill to assist with the needs of our citizens.

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