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Chair Craven and Members of the House Judiciary:

As the leaders of the Board of Directors of the Nonviolence Institute, we express full support for safe storage of firearms (H7373), and an assault weapons ban (H7217). Gun violence interrupts community security while negatively impacting the mental health of our neighbors. Rhode Islanders deserve to live and work in safety; these legislative measures are overdue.

According to RICAGV, 71 percent of Rhode Islanders are in favor of assault weapon regulation. We join the majority of our family, friends, and neighbors in supporting these bills. We strongly urge you to support these bills in honor of the safety of our communities.

The Nonviolence Institute's mission is to create-- by word and example-- a community that uses the principles and practices of nonviolence to prevent, interrupt, and heal violence, and to uplift community. Our mission will be aided by the passage of these bills.

Thank you.

Seth Handy, Chair, Providence (Rep. Blazejewski)
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