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I am writing to express my support for House Bill 5674 which would prohibit a landlord from inquiring about the immigration status of a tenant subject to any federal laws or regulations.

This bill will help stop hate from impacting the housing of our immigrant brothers and sisters. It will also help the hundreds of mixed status families who are being threatened by their landlords. Many Rhode Islanders receive threads of deportation from their landlords. This is destabilizing in many ways, impacting the mental health and development of all; I hear regularly via my professional life as a child psychologist of the stress this causes families.

I urge the Committee to approve this legislation, protect the state's immigrant community from prejudice and bias, and promote a culture in our state that prioritizes safety and stability for children and families.

Sincerely, Rebecca Silver, PhD Providence Resident, Clinical Psychologist