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The Honorable Robert E. Craven, Sr.
Chairperson
House Committee on Judiciary
82 Smith Street
Providence, RI 02903

Re: House Bill 6346: An Act Relating To Criminal Offenses -- Identity Theft Protection Act Of 2015

Dear Chairperson Craven,

Thank you for providing the Division of Enterprise Technology Strategy and Services (“Division”) with the opportunity to express our support for House Bill 6346. These proposed updates represent a vital step forward in further defining the expectations for the protection of Rhode Islanders’ personally identifiable information and managing cybersecurity risk in an increasingly complex threat landscape.

This legislation thoughtfully directs the implementation of a risk-based information security program and reflects an understanding that safeguarding Rhode Islanders’ personal information must be proportional to the scale, sensitivity, and purpose of the data being managed. This flexibility allows both public and private sector organizations to mature their security programs in line with their operational realities, without losing sight of their responsibilities to protect data and report any compromise of data within their control through the appropriate channels to ensure expedient resolution.

Rhode Island's public sector, municipalities, and critical infrastructure providers have made significant strides in strengthening cybersecurity over the last several years. Formalizing increased expectations through updated legislation ensures that this momentum continues.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to protecting the people and digital infrastructure of our state. The Division looks forward to continuing to support and partner on this critical topic.

Respectfully,

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Chief Digital Officer
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cc: The Honorable Members of the House Committee on Judiciary
The Honorable Lauren H. Carson
Nicole McCarty, Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker of the House
Roberta DiMezza, Committee Clerk