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To Honorable Representative Stephen M. Casey Chair, House Committee on Municipal Government & Housing Rhode Island State House Providence, RI 02903

VIA Email: HouseMunicipalGovernmentandHousing@rilegislature.gov

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\*\*Re: SUPPORT 5800

On behalf of the Rhode Island Coalition of Housing Providers, we write in support of House Bill 5800, which provides for residential development at medium to high density in commercial zones.

RICOHP supports this bill as a viable and common sense solution to increase housing. At a time when residential units are in higher demand than commercial units, this provides a flexible way to incorporate those units that are in highest demand thus leading to increased housing stock.

Sincerely,

Rhode Island Coalition of Housing Providers