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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in strong opposition to H1750. Gas-powered leaf blowers have known negative health impacts, including direct health impacts from the high-pitched noise and engine emissions. I have battery powered technology at home and it works fabulously, and avoids those health impacts. Working from home, the sound of the gas-powered blowers is strong enough that it penetrates my walls and windows.

The costs of these products have come down, making a transition by commercial providers economically feasible, especially with the support of OER. Communities like mine, and like Providence, should have the right to determine whether gas-powered lawn equipment continues to be used locally.

Best,

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