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Dear Committee Members,

I'm writing to you today in my capacity as a member of the National Federation of the Blind, as a Rhode Islander, and most importantly as an American who still believes in the power of democracy. Equitable access to the ballot is at the heart of any functioning democracy.

I am a sighted person who can easily travel to a polling place and cast my ballot. This does not make my voice and my vote more important than that of my disabled neighbors. But that is the end result of inaccessible elections. Disabled people are effectively disenfranchised when their individual accessibility needs are not met in the voting process.

We need to give people options, including secure electronic voting, that allow them to participate fully in the democratic process. It's a matter of civil rights.

Whether we are sighted or blind, our democracy needs us. Please protect access to the ballot and vote yes on H7007.

Sincerely,
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