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The Honorable Susan Donovan Chair, House Committee on Health & Human Services
State House
82 Smith Street
Providence, RI 02903

RE: H7075, H7188

Dear Chair Donovan and members of the Committee:

I am writing in strong support of House Bill No. 7075 and House Bill No. 7188, both of which aim to reduce the financial burden of diabetes supplies for Rhode Island residents.

I work in the primary care space with patients with diabetes on a regular basis and I see so many barriers to proper self-management, especially around cost. We have so many tools to help people live healthy, informative lives, but the cost is prohibitive for many.

For House Bill No. 7188, I see the benefit of CGM for so many that cannot afford it; due to deductibles, lack of coverage, or inability to pay for such devices.

For House Bill 7075, Chris is a member of both my pharmacist community and diabetes community. The fact that a glucagon formulation that does not require reconstitution is not already available readily w/no cost to the patient is outrageous because of the safety risk of not having such a device.

Sincerely,

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