Dear Representative Cortvriend and Senator Ujifusa,

As a mother to three school aged children, I need your support for continued regional and local bus transportation for our Rhode Island children.

Reducing regional service, charging families to pay for bussing or eliminating bussing all together would have a devastating impact on non-public schools ability to operate and serve children who thrive in our school. It will hurt Rhode Island families and students.

RI students have relied on bus transportation for decades to get to non-public schools. **Changing or** eliminating that service will make it harder, if not impossible, for children of all demographics to attend the school that best serves their educational needs. Non-public schools are an important part of the educational ecosystem of Rhode Island; employing Rhode Islanders, supporting countless students, and saving Rhode Island taxpayers millions.

We need your support to ensure all Rhode Island children can get to the school that best serves their needs and supports their growth as active and engaged citizens!

I strongly urge you to consider all our students and families in Rhode Island and protect student transportation options.

Thank you.

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