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To the Senate Education Committee:

My name is Laurie Chace, and I am a Math Interventionist from Pawtucket.

I support S2787 because Rhode Island cannot continue expanding a fragmented parallel school system while neighborhood public schools face huge budget cuts, staffing shortages, rising student needs, and growing fiscal pressure.

Public schools serve every student who walks through the door, including students with the highest academic, behavioral, and special education needs. No one is turned away. Continued charter expansion places disproportionate financial strain on urban districts already serving high-need student populations.

This legislation creates a responsible temporary pause that allows Rhode Island to evaluate long-term fiscal impacts, educational outcomes, and equity concerns before authorizing additional expansion.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Life is a math equation. In order to gain the most,
you have to know how to convert negatives into positives.

— Anonymous

