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To the Senate Education Committee,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed charter cap / moratorium legislation and to urge the Committee to carefully consider the long-term impact continued charter expansion is having on Rhode Island's traditional public schools.

Rhode Island's poorest urban & urban ring districts are being increasingly destabilized by the continued growth of charter schools, while many suburban communities remain largely insulated from such impacts. This creates an inequitable system in which the districts serving our highest-need students are also the districts experiencing the greatest financial and operational strain.

Traditional public schools continue to serve the overwhelming majority of students with significant special education needs, multilingual learners, and students requiring intensive behavioral and mental health support. At the same time, funding continues to shift away from our public schools.

This issue is not about opposing school choice. It is about ensuring fairness, accountability, and sustainability within Rhode Island's public education system. Our traditional public schools remain the foundation of our communities and continue to educate the vast majority of Rhode Island students, including those with the greatest needs.

I respectfully urge the Committee to support this legislation and prioritize policies that strengthen and stabilize public education for all students.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Nicole Longo