



March 26, 2026

The Honorable Louis P. DiPalma  
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee  
Rhode Island General Assembly  
82 Smith Street  
Providence, RI 02903

Chairman DiPalma and Members of the Senate Finance Committee:

**Re: Support for H7127 - Attorney General Budget**

Chairman DiPalma and Members of the Senate Finance Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of H7127, the Governor's FY27 proposed budget for the Attorney General. Passage of a budget that provides the requested funding to the Attorney General's office is key to ensuring that Attorney General Neronha and his team can continue to carry out their important work.

My name is Margaret Holland McDuff, and I am CEO of Family Service of Rhode Island (FSR)I. FSRI is a behavioral health and social service organization that has been serving Rhode Island children, families and communities for over a century, including programming to support healthy child development, to provide essential behavioral health services, and to coordinate housing support services that help children and families thrive. FSRI is a state Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) and a certified provider of children's mobile response and stabilization services (MRSS).

As part of our service array, FSRI provides support to victims of crime through our nationally recognized and award-winning GO TEAM®. Through this innovative program, FSRI partners local police departments across the state, in addition to the RI State police, to provide immediate, on-scene services to victims of crime, especially when children are present, in order to mitigate the impacts of trauma. As a result of our GO TEAM® programming, FSRI collaborates closely with the Attorney General's office to coordinate care for victims. We are proud of this partnership, and value our collaborative work to advocate for and protect victims of crime.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the Attorney General's Budget, and the important work that they do daily to ensure that the people of Rhode Island are protected. Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Margaret Holland McDuff'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Margaret Holland McDuff, CEO