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The Honorable Melissa Murray Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

RI State House

82 Smith Street

Providence, RI 02903

RE: S2112 – AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE – ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

Dear Chair Murray, and Members of Senate HHS Committee:

My name is Joseph Honig. I am currently a practicing pharmacist at Brown University Health and President of the RI Pharmacists Association. **I am writing for the full support of S2112 – Matt Federico Diabetic Safety Act as a practicing pharmacist and on behalf of the RI Pharmacist Organization.**

This bill would increase the access to life saving medication for patients living with diabetes. Our longtime colleague and friend Matt Federico who tragically passed in 2025 will have his legacy cemented and impact, not only the patients he served in the community pharmacy setting, but ALL patients with diabetes in Rhode Island.

In my current role, I see the burden of prescription drug costs families face every day. Breaking down barriers to life saving medication improves patient outcomes, gives patients and their families piece of mind, and cuts down on emergency healthcare expenditures.

Thank you for your time.

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