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Dear Chair Bennett and Committee,

I am Mary Pendergast, RSM, former Ecology Director for the Sisters of Mercy, Northeast, and a member of Climate Action Rhode Island. I write in strong favor of H7617, the Building Decarbonization Act.

We must implement building energy reporting or emission reduction policies. Rhode Island has raised the bar for resiliency by passing the Act on Climate mandate. Now we must take every opportunity to reduce emissions as the climate emergency looms.

Thank you for bringing this bill to the full legislative body.

Sincerely,

Mary Pendergast, RSM