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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Jim Hoyt, CEO at the Boys & Girls Club of Pawtucket. I am writing to you in support of **House Bill No. 8047, An Act Relating to Education – Building Opportunities In Out-Of-School Time.**

H-8047 introduced by Rep Shallcross Smith, provides \$4 million to support after school and school vacation, summer learning and workforce development programs for K-12 students with annual reports on status and programs.

Out of School Time programs *expand learning* beyond the Classroom, with hands-on, high yield activities;

Out of School Time Programs *provide essential childcare* for working families, *benefitting the family and benefitting the economy;*

Out of School Time programs provide *high quality programs* in a safe and FUN environment, where students can *build positive relationships* with their peers.

Out of School Time programs make a difference!

YOU can make a difference.

Please vote YES for House Bill H-8047.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gratefully,

James R. Hoyt, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer
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