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To: Rep. Abney, Marvin L.; Rep. Diaz, Grace; Rep. Slater, Scott; Rep. Biah, Nathan W.; House Finance Committee
Subject: Support Information for 25 Bough Street, Providence, RI 02909 Olneyville
Attachments: Letter of Support - Enrique Sanchez - March 2023.pdf; Letter of Support and future partnership- DLT 2024.pdf; Letter of Support - Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.pdf; Letter of Support - Winner's Circle - March 2023.pdf; Letter of Support - Hall of Grafx - March 2023.pdf; 3-27-23 - VARGAS - Letter of support Lanre (2).docx; URI College of Engineering 25 Bough Street Development (1).pdf; 25 Bough Street Proposal-Supporting Community Testimonials.pdf

Good day,

Please find support documentation for appropriation consideration for 25 Bough Street, Providence, RI 02909, a community development that would positively change and transform the face of the area of Olneyville, Providence Rhode Island in its corridor. Moreover, the development would bring much needed services in an under-resourced area to be empower and be used by thousands. This investment and its impact would be positively felt while reviving a blighted area increasing both social, economic and educational outcomes for the development and surrounding use cases and other neighboring developments.

Supporting the 25 Bough community development, need and appropriation approval are:

- **10+ Organizations of collaboration, participation and community service** including" Financial Literacy Youth Initiative, POC Foundation,
- **Letters of support from organizations, Lt.Governor, City Councilman and Representative of the area.**
- **Letter of Support from DLT (Department of Labor & Training)** with commitment to provide workforce development, programs and services at 25 Bough.
- **Letter of Support from the University of Rhode Island College of Engineering** which includes a regional alliance comprised of University of Massachusetts Amherst, Northeastern University, University of Connecticut, Tufts University and Worcester Polytechnic Institute offering programs, services and partnership they will conduct at 25 Bough.
- **50+ Testimonials of community support** for the project, services and the developer and need for immediate development in the area.

Some of the letters were written in 2023 before we started different surveying and tests which have now been completed. The support is still there from the organizations.

Thanks for your consideration,
Lanre.

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