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To: House Finance Committee; Rep. Abney, Marvin L.
Cc: isaac@rifofoodcouncil.org
Subject: FOR HB5404: TAX CREDIT FOR FOOD DONATION

Dear Chairman Abney and Members of the House Finance Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support of HB5404, TAX CREDIT FOR FOOD DONATION. Though this bill did not pass in 2024, the Council has worked alongside legislators to strengthen the language to ensure passage of this common-sense bill.

We must reduce the amount of waste we send to landfill. This bill is an accessible way to both do that and feed hungry Rhode Islanders. As a composter working to keep food waste out of landfills I have personally seen the great opportunity that businesses around RI have to divert waste and do good at the same time. Let's give those businesses impetus to help solve these issues.

I urge you to support HB5404 to help make Rhode Island close to zero waste and total food security.

Sincerely,
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