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Chair Craven and members of the House Judiciary Committee:

My name is Theresa Schimmel, and I live in South Kingstown. I am writing to urge you to support H436 (Knight), which would prohibit the future manufacture, sale, transfer, and purchase, and possession of assault weapons, while providing a pathway for current owners a pathway to keep the ones they currently have. This bill will reduce the spread of exceptionally deadly, military-style firearms- which are commonplace in public mass shootings- in our communities.

We have seen these assault weapons used time and again and we need to everything we can to prevent such mass killings in our state. Many of our neighboring states have passed assault weapon ban bills. Let us not be the state where people come to get such weapons to commit crimes. I fear for the lives of all potential victims, especially our children.

Please pass this common-sense gun safety bill out of committee and to the House floor with a recommendation for passage.

Sincerely,
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