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-Representative Evan Shanley, Chairman, House Committee on State Government and Elections -Steve Sepe, Clerk, ph. 401.222.6899

From:

Mary E. Anderson

Writing in support of House Bill 8148.

8 April, 2024

Dear Rep Evan Shanley,

Thank you for your service.

Due to seasonal travel restrictions from Block Island, I'm writing instead, to record my support of the April 9, 2024 hearing on CRMC Reform Legislation proposed in H 8148.

I've been a Block Island resident & a registered democratic voter since 1990.

My husband and I have enjoyed raising & schooling our children here, along part of Rhode Island's remarkably beautiful coastline. We've both served the town where & when we could.

I serve on the Town of New Shoreham's Planning Board and the Sea Level Rise Committee and find much value in the important scientific work of the CRMC's staff.

As we adapt to a different climate and manage our care of Rhode Island's uniquely beautiful coastline, H8148 allows the state to make & follow through on coastal planning with science base decisions. This is an important transition.

Now, more than ever before, Rhode Islanders will rely on decision makers to develop resiliency plans for our changing climate, with sound science based decisions for our dynamic coastline.

Our quality of life, natural habitats & our state's economic and public safety will benefit from H8148. I support it.

Sincerely, Mary E Anderson

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