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**From:** Jarrett Kerbel <jarrett.kerbel@stlukeseg.org>  
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**To:** House State Government and Elections Committee  
**Subject:** Expressing Support for the LGBTQIA+ Community

To Whom it May Concern;

I am writing in support of Representative Rebecca Kislak's House Resolution "Expressing Support for the LGBTQIA+ Community." Let me encourage the House to pass this measure and affirm our beloved fellow citizens who add so much to our common life in Rhode Island.

At this fraught moment in our national history, we especially need to validate the queer community so they will know they are valued and safe. The administration in Washington D.C. is pursuing an aggressive policy against queer people, especially trans people that has many in that community fearful. This may include the end of Marriage Equality which would be a devastating blow to our fellow citizens and our fundamental belief in human equality.

Sincerely,

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