***[LETTER OF SUPPORT TEMPLATE]***

***Note: Senators will want to hear about support of Senate bills (the bills starting with “S”) and***

***Reps. will want to hear about support of House Bills (the bills starting with “H”)***

*\*Please email your letter as a PDF to the following:*

1. *Your State Senator (see the blue box on Toolkit’s first page to identify yours)*
2. *Your State Rep. (see the blue box on Toolkit’s first page to identify yours)*
3. *House Speaker Joseph Shekarchi (**rep-shekarchi@rilegislature.gov**)*
4. *Senate President Dominick Ruggerio (**sen-ruggerio@rilegislature.gov**)*
5. *House Finance Committee Chair Rep. Marvin Abney (**rep-abney@rilegislature.gov**) and copy/CC the Committee Clerk (**HouseFinance@rilegislature.gov**)*
6. *Senate Finance Committee Chair Sen. Louis DiPalma (**sen-dipalma@rilegislature.gov**) and copy/CC the Committee Clerk (**SenateFinance@rilegislature.gov**)*
7. *Share letter copies and a list of who you’ve contacted with CTC-RI (**ctc-ri@ctc-ri.org**)*

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[DATE]

Senator/Representative [FULL NAME]

82 Smith Street, Providence, RI 02903

**Re: Support of [SENATE/HOUSE BILL NUMBER(S)]**

Dear Senator/Representative [LAST NAME]:

My name is [FULL NAME] and I live in [CITY/TOWN], and I am a [JOB TITLE] at [SITE NAME] located in [CITY/TOWN]. I’m reaching out because I am deeply concerned about the primary care crisis impacting our current workforce, that will soon leave 200,000 Rhode Islanders without access to primary care.

[BILL NUMBER(S)] currently proposed in the [HOUSE/SENATE] are critical steps to helping our state directly address this workforce crisis. Our healthcare system is the bedrock of our state – keeping families safe, supported, and healthy – and it’s in jeopardy.

As a [JOB TITLE], I’ve seen firsthand how challenging current conditions are in our workforce… [BRIEF EXAMPLE OR TWO].

I believe this legislation is so important because [INSERT PERSONAL REASON OR TWO].

I urge you to stand up for the future of primary care in Rhode Island, and the thousands of Rhode Islanders who desperately need access to care. This crisis will not be resolved without targeted legislation and investments in our dedicated workforce like [INSERT BILL NUMBER(S)]. Thank you.

Sincerely,

[FULL NAME]

[ADDRESS, CITY/TOWN]

[TITLE/WORKPLACE IF APPLICABLE]