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On Behalf Of: Self

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3838

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to Measure 38, which proposes increasing the number of residents allowed in adult foster homes from five to seven. While the intention to expand capacity is understandable, this measure could inadvertently jeopardize the very homes it aims to support.

Adult foster care homes are vital to our community, providing personalized care in a home-like setting for older adults and individuals with disabilities. These homes are already operating under tight financial constraints, and the additional requirements imposed by Measure 38—such as installing residential sprinkler systems and adhering to stricter safety regulations—could impose significant financial burdens. Many providers may find these costs prohibitive, leading to closures rather than expansions.