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Dear Mr. Doherty,

During an interview last Friday on Rhode Island Public Radio with Ian Donnis and Scott MacKay, you said there were points in the Ryan Plan that you agreed with and dismissed criticisms of the plan as political "rhetoric." Last May, you referred to an earlier version of the Ryan Budget as a prudent approach.

On behalf of Rhode Islanders from across the 1<sup>st</sup> District, it is imperative you are aware of the devastating impact this budget would have for seniors, students and the middle class.

To ensure you are aware of the crippling effect these policies would have on the people of Rhode Island and Americans across the country, I have taken the liberty of sending you a copy of the Ryan Plan.

Simply put, this Republican budget asks the middle class to pay for an average tax cut of \$150,000 for the wealthiest Americans, continued tax subsidies for Big Oil, and maintains tax loopholes for corporations that ship jobs overseas. It does not balance the federal budget until 2040.

Thank you for your time and interest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Pacheco', written over a light blue circular stamp.

Ed Pacheco  
Chairman  
Rhode Island Democratic Party