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RI Dems LGBTQ Caucus: Gemma Should Denounce Homophobic Innuendo

Providence, RI – Rhode Island Democratic Party LGBTQ Caucus Chair Anthony DeRose, speaking on behalf of the caucus members, today issued the following in response to the comments by Gemma staffer Anthony Sionni and the subsequent statement issued by the Gemma campaign:

“We call on Mr. Gemma to strongly and publicly denounce this kind of hateful and homophobic innuendo. There is no question that the statement made by Anthony Sionni, a member of ‘Team Gemma’ is more than just ‘inappropriate’ it is despicable,” said DeRose. “At a time when the economy, public safety and equality for all Rhode Islanders should be the true focus of the congressional campaign, Mr. Gemma and his staff have chosen to take the lower road of insults and personal attacks instead. This type of dirty politics has no place in Rhode Island or in the process of the American democracy.”