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Chair Sam Rasoul
House Education Committee
House Committee Room A-008, General Assembly Building
201 North 9th Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Chair Rasoul and House Education Committee Members,

I'm John Musso, Government Affairs Manager at the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. On behalf of the Arlington Chamber, I want to express our support for two bills on Monday's Committee docket.

The Arlington Chamber strongly supports **SB13 (Favola)**. As Arlington and the Commonwealth struggle with historically high commercial vacancy rates, the Chamber supports this legislation incentivizing the creation of child care facilities in spaces in commercial office buildings.

The Arlington Chamber also supports **SB199 (Diggs)**. SB199 is a commonsense solution that creates flexibility for Virginia's students to pursue in-demand, valuable workforce credentials while working towards a high school diploma.

We ask that you and your colleagues in Committee support these two bills on Monday morning.

Best Regards,

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