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Dear Chair Lieblich and Members of the House Health Finance and Policy Committee:

At Greater Twin Cities United Way, our mission is to unite changemakers, advocate for social good and develop solutions to address the challenges no one can solve alone. Together with our partners, we touched over 500,000 lives across the nine-county metro area last year. As an organization that partners with over 100 nonprofits and coalitions across the Twin Cities region and state, we know that a holistic approach to Household Stability, Educational Success and Economic Opportunity is key to providing the foundation for individuals and families from low-wealth households to move toward prosperity. **Greater Twin Cities United Way writes in support of proposals supporting thriving children, families, and communities in HF 2930:**

- Increasing access to safe, stable, and affordable housing, which leads to multi-generational benefits for individuals and families, by **modifying countable income of Housing Support recipients.**
- Investing in a strong early childhood care and education sector, which is critical to optimal brain development, by investing in **family home visiting** and funding **community solutions grants.**
- Supporting Minnesotans through times of crisis by consistently **funding 988.**

We know investments that improve housing stability, equitable access to affordable early care and mental health supports, and pathways to economic success result in lasting impacts and improved long-term outcomes for individuals, families, and communities. Thank you for including these provisions in HF 2930.

Sincerely,

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