

# Joint Hearing with Workforce and Business Development Finance and Policy And Early Childhood Finance and Policy

Co-Chair: Rep. Mohamud Noor

Co-Chair: Rep. Dave Pinto

## **Meeting:**

Tuesday, February 8th, 2022

5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Masonic Institute for the Developing Brain

Conference Room 1-510

2025 E River Pkwy

Minneapolis, MN 55414

## **Agenda:**

### Child Care & Early Learning: The Critical Foundation for Minnesota's Economy

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

II. Welcome from Committee Chairs

III. Masonic Institute for the Developing Brain (MIDB) Welcome & Introduction to Brain Science  
Damian Fair Ph.D, Redleaf Endowed Director, Masonic Institute for the Developing Brain

IV. Early Care & Education: Challenges & Opportunities for Society  
Glen Gunderson, President, YMCA of the North

V. Early Care & Education: Challenges & Opportunities for Employers  
Jonathan Weinhagen, President & CEO, Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce

VI. The Economics of Early Care & Education  
Heidi Hagel-Braid, Chief Program Officer, First Children's Finance

VII. Early Care and Education: Greater Minnesota  
Tony Sertich, President & CEO, Northland Foundation

VIII. Report of the Early Care & Education Crisis Workgroup  
Amy Walstein, Education and Workforce Development Policy Director, Minnesota Business Partnership

## IX. Adjournment

Additional items may be added.

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