

## Written Testimony of Jenny Sherer, Lino Lakes, MN

Hello,

I was given your name by Linda Runbeck after I contacted her to express concerns with the current state of obtaining driver's licenses. I realize that with COVID19 these are unprecedented times and I certainly do not want anyone to lose their jobs. All I ask is for creative, or perhaps even short-term solutions be considered, as currently there is no way to even schedule an exam or make any progress in obtaining a driver's license. I am concerned because I have a teenage driver who has a job working for an essential business this summer that is far enough away, he will need to drive, or be driven. However, because of current regulations he has been unable to even schedule an exam to obtain his driver's license. Focusing only on those whose tests were cancelled does nothing for the thousands of drivers who will be seeking their licenses in the coming months. Even under the best of circumstances, drivers needed to book driving tests months in advance and relying on the current system will not ease the current backlog.

This is a difficult decision with no easy solution, but my main purpose in writing is to express these concerns and hope that this presents a voice as you all work to identify a solution that at least allows more drivers the ability to obtain their license, whether that involves alternate testing locations or temporarily waiving the road test requirement.

Sincerely,

Jenny Sherer  
Lino Lakes, MN