

Co-chairs Bliss and Xiong,

Thank you for including the Metro Meals on Wheels funding in Omnibus Veterans Funding legislation. We have been very encouraged by the programs first steps over the past 18 months and look forward to continuing this important program if funding remains into the next biennium. I know the Senate bill does not contain this language, but I hope that once the conference committee meets and agrees on a final package we will still be included. If there is anything we at MMOW can provide or help in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out.

One of the most exciting parts about this work over the past year has been setting an example for other home delivered meal programs around the country as a successful program that can be implemented to help even more veterans in need, as I hope we can with here in Minnesota with the inclusion of the LSS/CORE program as well.

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