



March 22, 2023

Representative Cheryl Youakim, Chair
Representative Mary Frances Clardy, Vice Chair
Members, House Education Finance Committee

RE: HF 2492 - SUPPORT

Chair Youakim & Members,

Career & Technical Education (CTE) and Career Pathways programs in Minnesota include students engaged in agriculture, health sciences, business & marketing, family & consumer sciences, construction, manufacturing, transportation, work-based learning/youth apprenticeship, communications technology, law enforcement, cosmetology, and a variety of other careers areas.

On behalf of the board of the Minnesota Association for Career & Technical Administrators (MACTA); a statewide association of professional educators that administer CTE programs across Minnesota we write to you in full support of HF 2492 – particularly the provision making schools eligible recipients of the grant funding.

School districts across Minnesota already build homes in our career and technical construction programs. Supporting this bill provides districts the opportunity to apply for funding to use their skills to support housing for our state's homeless population.

MACTA fully supports this legislation and urges the committee to include it in the omnibus bill.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at thaugen@lcsc.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Troy M. Haugen', is written over a large, stylized blue circular graphic element.

Troy M. Haugen
President
Minnesota Association for Career & Technical Administrators

