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Attention: Minnesota House of Representatives Committee on Workforce and Business Development Finance and Policy

Dear Committee Members,

The purpose of this letter is to express support for HF 4198. Minnesota State Community and Technical College has had a longstanding partnership with Moorhead High School Career Academy. Since the inception of the Academy, M State has enthusiastically supported its innovative approach to preparing students for college, offering career pathways and creating more relevant and personalized learning opportunities. The model currently used by the Academy has the potential to be a national model.

We believe all students should have ample opportunities to participate in career exploration beginning early in their K12 journey. Access to career preparation, especially in fields that are in high demand, is critical for better preparing students for their future, addressing our workforce shortages and building stronger communities.

The location of the M State Moorhead campus in relation to the Moorhead High School Career Academy is ideal for collaboration. We have the opportunity to explore efficient use of resources such as personnel, equipment and learning spaces.

Creating dynamic learning experiences that prepare students for life, work and building better communities is a mission shared by M State and the Academy. As a local partner, we are committed to excellence and creating a success story for every student in our region.

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