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Dear Representative Liebling and Senator Boldon:

I am writing in support of the Southeast Minnesota Simulation Center. The Adult Literacy Program at Hawthorne Education Center has been a partner in the GRAUC Simulation Collaborative for the past three years. GRAUC, as a neutral, long-established non-profit has spearheaded the collaborative which united public and private colleges and universities, regional healthcare providers, simulation experts, and designers. Together we have completed a needs assessment, a co-design process and a business/governance plan. We have explored curriculum, technology, possible locations, and funding sources.

I urge the State of Minnesota to make a financial commitment to the Southeast Minnesota Simulation Center. Your investment in the training of healthcare workers and students will contribute to the solving the acute shortage of these vital patient care professionals.

Sincerely,

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Adult and Family Literacy Program Manager

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