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INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES -STUDIO MECHANICS MINNESOTA

TO: House Taxes Committee

RE: In support of HF2059

Dear Legislators,

I am writing on behalf of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, (IATSE) Local 490, in support of House Bill HF 2059.

IATSE Is the Union that represents technical workers in the entertainment industry. IATSE Local 490 is the Union that represents the technical workers behind the camera for Film, Motion Pictures, and Television.

HF 2059, The Film Production Tax Credit is a job creator that needs to be expanded. If HF 2059 were to pass as written, our current labor force would not be enoughto satisfy the increase in production. This would allow Local 490 and the MN film industry to aggressively expand with new job creation and new jobs training programs. It will also be an essential step towards workforce development for under resourced areas of our community. Our membership and community are eager to see this bill pass.

Thank you, Kellie Larson Business Agent IATSE Local 490

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