

March 28, 2023

Chair Xiong, Vice-Chair Brand, Ranking Member Baker, and members of the House Workforce Development Finance and Policy Committee;

We write today to thank you for your efforts and dedication to putting together a Workforce Development omnibus bill that puts our most underserved communities at the center. Your investments in this bill demonstrate the committee's strong commitment to supporting everyone in Minnesota's workforce and those that employ them.

We want to especially thank you for the inclusion of the pay-for-performance grant appropriation for Twin Cities R!SE, in Article 1, Section 2, beginning on Line 16.8. We've enjoyed a very successful and lengthy partnership with the state of Minnesota through this program and are excited to be able to continue that work. With this important investment, Twin Cities R!SE can provide training to 60 individuals facing multiple barriers to employment, provide mentorship, internship opportunities, job search assistance, work skills training, fostering self- confidence and self-reliance.

Thank you again for the committee's support of Twin Cities R!SE.

Sincerely,

Emma Corrie, CEO