Rep Michael Nelson, Chair House State Government Finance Division

Re HF 3499 (A5) to be heard 4-16-20

Dear Chair Nelson,

I strongly support allowing voting by mail in Minnesota this year. In light of the difficulty in voting at the polls due to covid19, we need voting by mail in order to maximize the vote in our state in 2020. While other states are attempting to suppress voting to advantage one party, MN can lead the way by this expansion of absentee voting.

We hope polling places will remain open for those who cannot vote by mail.

Please be sure adequate funding is provided to ensure the success of this effort.

Thank you for supporting this addition to our elections in this time of crisis.

Sincerely,

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