



April 2, 2024

Representative Fue Lee
Chair, Capital Investment Committee
State Office Building, Basement Hearing Room
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: Support for HF 3379

Dear Chair Lee and Committee Members:

On behalf of the Minneapolis Regional Chamber and our members throughout the Greater MSP Region, we write to urge favorable consideration of HF 3379. We believe the funding in this request will go a long way in advancing community access to transit, success of local businesses, and affordable housing opportunities.

The City of Plymouth's primary strategic goal is to reimagine what the city's central area will offer to current and future residents and visitors. Affordable housing, business development, and access to transit are vital parts of achieving this goal. The \$32 million in state bonding will be partially used for improvements to Plymouth Boulevard, a key economic hub in the city. By enhancing the walkability and livability of this area, retail and restaurants will flourish, creating opportunities for accessible transit and affordable housing.

This project will provide transportation improvements and new business developments that will positively impact the growth and development of the business community in this area.

Thank you in advance for considering this important funding request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jonathan Weinhagen', written in a cursive style.

Jonathan Weinhagen
President & CEO
Minneapolis Regional Chamber