

TESTIMONY OF Jean Hauff

Minnetonka, Minnesota

Chair Tomassoni and members:

My name is Jean Hauff. Thank you for the opportunity to testify today in support of Senate File 3972.

I am a college student with an intellectual disability. I wanted to go to college just like my siblings. I did a college search for a four-year college that had on-campus housing and offered a higher education credential in mass media.

My preference was to go to college close to home. There were no Minnesota colleges that admitted students with an intellectual disability and offered a four-year certificate. I had to apply to universities out of state. I am in my second year of college in Pennsylvania. It has been challenging going to college out of state.

I ask that you support Senate File 3972, so there are more Minnesota college choices for students with an intellectual disability. Thank you.