

Sen. Jennifer McEwen 95 University Avenue W. Minnesota Senate Building, Room 3217 St. Paul, MN 55155

January 10, 2023

Re: Support for SF1, the Protect Reproductive Options Act

Dear Sen. McEwen:

On behalf of Fairview Health Services and the patients we serve across Minnesota, I wanted to express our support for the Protect Reproductive Options Act. As a health system, we believe strongly in providing evidence-based health care to all our patients, including comprehensive reproductive health care. Limiting access to care in any way fundamentally interferes with the patient–provider relationship and decreases access to necessary care for all people, particularly for marginalized groups in underresourced communities. Fairview has and will continue to provide access to the full spectrum of reproductive health care.

Protecting access to reproductive health care ensures that our patients have the ability to make important decisions about their health care in consultation with their trusted health care providers. This trusted relationship between patients and their providers is fundamental to who we are and what we do.

We thank you again for sponsoring this legislation and working to ensure that all our patients are entitled to privacy, dignity, respect and support of their individual reproductive health.

Sincerely,

James Hereford

President and CEO

Fairview Health Services