

Feb. 20, 2025

To: MN Senate Education Policy committee

Re: **S.F. No. 1457 (CERP)** “Cardiac Emergency Response Plan”

Committee chair, senate members & Senator Westlin.

I am writing to express support for **S.F. 1457 (CERP)**, a critical step towards improving cardiac arrest outcomes with this bill. As a 2x cardiac arrest survivor myself, I understand the importance of having an emergency response plan against the #1 killer in the U.S., cardiac arrest.

My cardiac arrest occurred on Dec. 13, 2007 at Fridley High School during a varsity boys basketball game. If it weren't for this school having an emergency response plan, my outcome would have been different. This bill will help other high schools in Minnesota focus on having an emergency response plan and being prepared to help save a life!

Please support this important bill so schools can begin putting a reliable plan in place beginning school year 2026-2027.

Please approve this bill & funding (\$2MM) associated with this proposal so schools may begin to prepare an emergency response plan.

Thank you for your support on this bill!

Saving lives!

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