



March 11th, 2025

Chair Jim Carlson
3221 Minnesota Senate Bldg.
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Chair Carlson and members of the Senate Elections Committee,

Jewish Community Action is the Jewish voice in Minnesota's movement for economic, racial and social justice. We organize in solidarity with other marginalized communities in Minnesota through state and local coalitions, interfaith initiatives, and local neighborhood groups. This work is done in commitment to a shared future, where all voices are heard and respected equally. We believe that our democracy functions at its best when it is expanded to include a diverse set of opinions.

On behalf of Jewish Community Action, I am writing in support of the Minnesota Civic Fund, SF1911. This bill would give small donors a larger voice in our political process - an important step toward making Minnesota a state where the voices of the people, not the voices of corporations, can shape our future. It would put Minnesota at the forefront of campaign finance reform. Most importantly, it would support a thriving, multi-racial democracy where we all have a seat at the table, regardless of how much money we have.

At JCA, we know that our destiny is bound with all peoples - that we must act in the interest of our shared fate. Central to carrying out this belief is the pursuit of racial, social, and economic justice for all people. In protecting the rights and amplifying the voices of all Minnsontans, SF1911 does just that.

We strongly support SF1911 and urge members of the Senate Elections committee to vote in favor of this important legislation / initiative.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Beth Gendler", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

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