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Chair Port and Members of the Senate Housing and Homelessness Prevention Committee,

Metro Cities, representing the shared interests of cities across the metropolitan area at the Legislature and Executive Branch, appreciates the opportunity to support SF 915 – Mohamed. This bill would provide \$100 million in General Obligation bonds to support the costs of rehabilitation to preserve public housing in Minnesota.

State funding is a major and necessary component for the provision of housing. Current resource levels are insufficient to meet the spectrum of needs in the metropolitan region and across the state. Metro Cities supports preserving and increasing resources and incentives to sustain existing public housing throughout the metropolitan area and appreciate the General Obligation bonds provided for in this bill.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter.

Sincerely,

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