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Dear members of the Senate Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee,

On behalf of the Minnesota Medical Association (MMA), I write to express our support for SF 1961, which would require coverage for infertility diagnosis, treatment, and medically necessary fertility preservation services.

Infertility is a medical condition that affects many Minnesota families. It can arise from underlying health conditions or from medically necessary treatments, such as chemotherapy or other therapies that may affect reproductive capacity. In these situations, timely access to fertility preservation services is essential and medically necessary.

The American Medical Association (AMA) has adopted policy supporting coverage for fertility preservation services when medically indicated, recognizing that insurance coverage ensures patient access to appropriate care and reduces barriers that may prevent individuals from receiving recommended treatments.

Without coverage, these services can be prohibitively expensive, placing them out of reach for patients at the very time they are facing serious illness or medically necessary treatment. SF 1961 aligns with AMA guidance, ensuring that Minnesota patients can access infertility care and fertility preservation consistent with established medical standards, without unnecessary financial burden.

The Minnesota Medical Association urges your support of SF 1961, ensuring that patients across the state have timely access to infertility care and fertility preservation services.

Sincerely,

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