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Senator Matt Klein, Chair
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
2105 Minnesota Senate Building
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

RE: Support Minnesota Building Families Act – SF 1961 (Maye Quade)

Dear Chair Klein and Committee Members:

On behalf of RMIA, I am writing to express our strong support for the Minnesota Building Families Act and to respectfully urge the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection to advance this bill out of committee.

The Minnesota Building Families Act provides access to critical fertility health care. It improves care by requiring coverage for infertility treatment and fertility preservation for men and women. The bill covers in vitro fertilization (IVF) and other infertility treatments, as well as fertility preservation for cancer patients and others at risk of medically induced infertility.

Without health insurance coverage for fertility treatments, including IVF, most Minnesotans cannot access this medically necessary care. **Fertility treatment is no more expensive than a knee replacement or a C-section; the difference is the lack of insurance coverage.**

One in six individuals has trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy. Infertility does not discriminate. Infertility cuts across socioeconomic levels, and all racial, ethnic, and religious lines. It affects men and women equally.

Without insurance coverage, hardworking Minnesotans are forced to risk their financial futures just to have a family. **These treatments are so necessary that legislators and state employees already have this coverage.**

It's time Minnesota joins the growing list of 24 states that require fertility coverage. As proven in these states, insurance coverage for IVF decreases the chance of multiple births. Reducing multiple births decreases overall health care costs and results in healthier babies and healthier moms.

Let’s live up to our family-driven values as Minnesotans and pass the Minnesota Building Families Act.

Sincerely,



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