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Representative Gene Pelowski, Chair  
Higher Education Finance and Policy Committee  
491 State Office Building  
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Senator Omar Fateh, Chair  
Higher Education Finance and Policy Committee  
Minnesota Senate Bldg., Room 3219  
95 University Ave. W.  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Senator Fateh and Representative Pelowski,

As authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2021, 1<sup>st</sup> Special Session, Chapter 2, Article 1, Sec. 2 Subd. 42, I am writing to notify you that the Office of Higher Education will transfer \$1,250,000 from the appropriation for the Minnesota State Grant to three programs:

- \$750,000 will be transferred to the Fostering Independence in Higher Education Grants program,
- \$250,000 will be transferred to the Postsecondary Child Care Grant program, and
- \$250,000 will be transferred to the Summer Academic Enrichment program.

These transfers are necessary to meet the need for each program and effectively use resources for student financial assistance. By making these funds available for these three programs, we will alleviate the current student wait lists, and ensure more Minnesotans receive the support they need.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dennis Olson Jr.', written over a faint blue circular stamp.

Dennis Olson Jr  
Commissioner

CC: Senator Zach Duckworth, Representative Marion O'Neill, Matthew Dobratz, Sidney Spreck, Sam Parmekar, Owen Wirth, Legislative Reference Library

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