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March 28, 2023

Minnesota Senate Education Finance Committee  
Senator Mary Kunesh, Chair  
Minnesota State Capitol  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

Senator Kunesh and Members,

On behalf of the twelve Minnesota Boys & Girls Clubs, and the more than 35,000 youth they serve, I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude for your decision to include funding for Boys & Girls Clubs expansion in your budget bill. Your support will help us serve more youth in more communities, providing them with the opportunities and resources they need to succeed.

Boys & Girls Clubs play a critical role in shaping the future of our state by providing young people with a safe and nurturing environment where they can learn, grow, and thrive. The funding you have provided will enable us to expand our reach and impact, bringing our high-quality programs and services to even more youth who need us the most.

Your support is not only an investment in our youth but also an investment in the future of our state. By helping us serve more young people in more communities, you are investing to help the next generation succeed.

I want to thank Senator Bolden for her support and leadership of our request. I want to thank the Chair for her trust in Boys & Girls Clubs and her leadership of this committee, and I also thank the many members who have supported the work of Minnesota Clubs who strive to help the youth of our state who need it the most.

On behalf of Boys & Girls Clubs and the countless young people whose lives will be positively impacted by your support, I thank you. Your dedication to improving the lives of our youth is truly inspiring, and I am honored to have the opportunity to express my gratitude to you today.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan Donaldson".

Bryan Donaldson  
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