Dear Representative, Nathe,

Chairman, House Appropriations – Education and Environment Division

I am writing to express my strong support for the Department of Commerce Appropriations bill, SB 2018, which funds critical economic development programs in North Dakota. As the Chief of Staff/CoFounder of Pavewise, I have directly benefited from the Innovate ND Program, which has been instrumental in helping us grow and scale our business here in North Dakota.

At Pavewise, we are on a mission to shape the future of construction by harnessing the power of automation and data. Our software platform automates critical data tracking—providing real-time weather logging, project performance insights, and compliance reporting. We enhance communication by digitizing workflows and improving coordination between the office and field crews, ensuring projects stay on track. By closely monitoring key project variables like density, ride, and production, Pavewise helps contractors maximize their incentives and overall project outcomes. And by leveraging Al and other advanced technologies, we automate time-consuming tasks so contractors can focus on managing what truly matters. Today, Pavewise is safeguarding over \$20 billion in construction projects nationwide, driving efficiency and delivering smarter, more connected project management solutions.

The support we received through Innovate ND was a game-changer. The expert business coaching, strategic non-dilutive funding, and valuable networking opportunities provided by the program allowed us to accelerate product development and bring our innovative solution to market much faster. Without this support, our ability to launch, scale, and make an impact on the construction industry would have been significantly delayed.

Innovate ND doesn't just help individual businesses—it fosters innovation, creates high-quality jobs, and drives economic growth across North Dakota. I strongly encourage you to support the continued funding of Innovate ND through SB 2018 to ensure other entrepreneurs have the same opportunities for success that we did.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you'd like to discuss our experience further, please feel free to contact Bryce or myself at bryce.wuori@pavewisepro.com and brittany.wuori@pavewisepro.com.

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