

March 10, 2025

Dear Chairman Nathe and House Appropriations Committee Members,

The purpose of this letter is to express support for the funding of the TrainND sales position throughout the four quadrants.

The TrainND sales position will benefit the entire state of North Dakota by ensuring adequate support is given to TrainND to assist in the training needs of their respective regions. Providing TrainND with the funds for this position will ensure adequate training opportunities are offered in all areas of the state for training the workforce that is needed to stimulate the economy. The additional training that this position could offer would impact employers in a range of industries including accounting, agriculture, business, dental, management, marketing, sales, nursing and other healthcare professions.

TrainND is the state's most comprehensive and inclusive training network and their courses and training meet the diverse needs of all the industries in each region. However, the support of an additional sales person for each quadrant, would only increase the potential opportunities for each region to meet the demands and needs for training that employers are seeking. As the current Advisory Board Chair of the SouthEast TrainND quadrant, as well as my role as the Chief People Officer at Eventide Senior Living, I have seen the benefit of the training provided by TrainND and strongly believe that through this position, even more customized training could be offered in all areas of the state.

TrainND's vision to use this this additional position to ensure that trainings are offered in not only the larger metropolitan areas but also in our smaller rural areas will have a substantial impact on ensuring that the workforce and employers have options to provide additional training to their teams.

This funding will provide excellent opportunities for additional workforce development and training and would support employer success, foster community partnerships and strengthen the workforce in the state of North Dakota.

Thank you for your consideration,



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