## Do Pass Testimony of Doug Sharbono, citizen of North Dakota on HB1472 in the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

Dear Chairman Heinert and members of the House Education Committee,

I am writing as a citizen and believe HB1472 is much needed legislation. This legislation codifies the use of microschools.

Our family has already previously dabbled in a type of this arrangement to great success with a co-op homeschool arrangement. Our situation was a joint parent effort and made the best of a poorly handled COVID-19 situation in the public system. Circumstances presented us no other reasonable option. Unfortunately, we mistakenly looked at it as a last resort instead of a first option.

A microschool would put place the educator role in the hands of one of the parents instead of contributing with a joint effort. The standardized testing gives this method veracity. It gives parents who do not have the ability to homeschool the option of having their children educated with this model.

Please give HB1472 a Do Pass Recommendation.

Thank you,

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