Bill number: HB 1142 House Appropriations Human Resources Division Representative Nelson, Chairman

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee,

Hello, my name is Kyan Woodruff. I am a sophomore at Bismarck High School and this is my first year of being involved in HOSA. I currently hold the chapter office of secretary at our school and I am in the process of running for a North Dakota HOSA state officer position.

HOSA has been an excellent way for me to get involved in my school and my community. It has been helpful to me because I can learn more about different medical careers. I am also looking forward to being able to compete at the state competition this year.

Our chapter regularly invests in our school and community by getting involved in service projects. In years past, we have made blankets for our local hospitals, ran our school's blood drive and trained hundreds of people in the community on the skill of hands only CPR. This year COVID has changed some of those community service events, but we look forward to doing those again in the future.

HOSA is a group that gives back to our community and helps young students to develop leadership skills through competition. I am so happy that we have these opportunities as high school students because it helps me to develop the leadership skills that I will need in the future.

I urge you to pass HB 1142. This will help this wonderful program have an impact on students for years to come. Thank you for this opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,

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