

HB 1020 Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Brad Bekkedahl March 1, 2023

Chairman Bekkedahl and members of the Committee, my name is Amanda Remynse, and I am writing to you on behalf of the the North Dakota Motor Carriers Association (NDMCA), **in support** of HB 1020. The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute is an important partner that provides valuable information regarding smart and efficient approaches to infrastructure that is critical to the trucking industry.

Reliable transportation networks expand markets by allowing North Dakota businesses to sell products across the state, to other states, and internationally. North Dakota has the nation's most freight-dependent economy. Comprehensive approaches to infrastructure is important the economic success of North Dakota.

NDMCA thanks the Committee for your consideration and urges a **do pass** recommendation.