<u>Senator Clemens and members of the Senate Transportation</u> Committee:

My name is Sen. Randy Burckhard. I represent District 5 – Minot. I have sponsored many bills for the North Dakota chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association during past sessions and am pleased to sponsor SB 2148.

This bill adds physical therapists to the list of health care providers who can a statement for a mobility-impaired person to use in applying for a parking permit. My understanding is there have been no objections to this bill from the other listed health care providers.

You will be hearing from a practicing physical therapist as well as physical therapy students who will give you more information about why this legislation is needed.

I ask for your favorable consideration of SB 2191. Thank you for your time.