

**Testimony in Support of HB 1362**

**House Industry, Business and Labor Committee**

**February 4, 2025**

**Dear Chairman Warrey and Members of the Committee,**

**I am writing to support HB 1362, currently with the Industry, Business and Labor Committee. As a builder in northwest North Dakota, I see a critical need for the funding this bill would provide to small residential builders.**

**Passing HB 1362 will help increase housing availability, allowing skilled workers and their families to find homes and settle in our communities.**

**Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions.**

**Sincerely,**

**Esther S. Ward**

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