

## In Favor of SB 2327 Senate Appropriations – Government Operations Division February 10, 2025

Chairman Wanzek and Committee members:

For the record, my name is Haley Vollmer. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on behalf of the North Dakota Corn Growers Association (NDCGA) in favor of Senate Bill 2327.

Increasing opportunities for value-added agriculture is a policy priority for the North Dakota Corn Growers. The Agriculture Diversification and Development Fund has helped numerous value-added businesses get off the ground or expand, creating jobs and growing the state's economy. The agriculture infrastructure grants are a critical tool to support political subdivisions in improving roads, bridges, and utilities to accommodate these businesses.

The North Dakota Corn Growers urge a Do Pass recommendation on SB 2327 to build on a track record of success and encourage further value-added agriculture development in the state. Thank you for your consideration.