

## **Great Plains Housing Authority**

Serving Dickey, Eddy, Foster, Logan, Sargent, Stutsman, and Wells Counties

To: ND Senate Appropriations

From: David Klein, GPHA Executive Director

Date: March 14, 2025

Re: HB1012

Great Plains Housing Authority (GPHA) supports HB1012 and construction of a New State Hospital in Jamestown. Our belief is that a new facility will help facilitate better care and safe environments. This core facility can then look at how to help in regions and partner with other organizations. A new facility will help other communities, health care providers, families, law enforcement, and others access critical behavioral health services.

The old State Hospital complex needs replacing and now is the time.

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