4718 River Oaks Circle Grand Forks, ND, 58201 701-330-2586 Opposition to HB 1255

To Whom It May Concern:

We have been listening Prairie Public Radio and watching Prairie Public Television since we moved back to the United States in 2003. As proud U.S. citizens, we value Prairie Public at the upmost level.

It provides valuable and unbiased information whether it is local news that affects we North Dakotans, global happenings that impacts the world we live in and it provides quality educational programs. I listen to Prairie Public radio all day. The amazing wide variety of music that is offered on the radio station is mind boggling.

Perhaps, most importantly, it is difficult to find reliable balanced news reports these days and Prairie Public is truly a trusted communication vehicle.

We donate money to Prairie Public each month, as many North Dakotans do, but private donors cannot do it alone. We need the state funds to help shore up these valuable North Dakota icons.

Please vote in **opposition to HB 1255**. Thank you.

Sincerely, Donna Hastings