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SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

SB 2166

INTRODUCED BY

SEN DAVID CLEMENS

DIST 16

I AM SENATOR DAVID CLEMENS FROM DISTRICT 16. I AM HERE TO INTRODUCE SB 2166 WHICH IS REQUESTING FUNDS FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE RECOVERY ORGANIZATION OF FARGO.

The bill is requesting funds from the American Rescue Plan to financially support this organization in a community and time that has seen a dramatic increase in mental health and substance use crises.

The Lighthouse is working to meet the needs in our state related to long term support of people suffering from substance use disorder and various mental health disorders, services for state programs Free Through Recovery and Community Connect, Peer Support Services for people struggling with various behavioral health issues, community based support and networking with the F/M homeless population, and is striving to provide a variety of services to meet the growing population serviced by the ND Medicaid Billable 1915i program.

I hereby ask the state appropriations committee to fully support the request of \$300,000 in support of the Lighthouse Recovery Organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Sen David Clemens