## 1/30/2025

Members of the House Human Services Committee-

Re: HB 1485

My name is Lois Nodland, and I am the chair of the Resident Council at Missouri Slope Skilled Nursing Home in Bismarck, and I am a recipient of Medical Assistance. Please accept my testimony in favor of HB 1485, which increases the amount of the monthly personal needs allowance and provides for an inflationary increase for Medical Assistance Recipients.

Factors that I would like you to consider include that inflation impacts Medical Assistance recipients just as it impacts all North Dakotans. Additionally, an increase will positively impact North Dakota businesses as Medical Assistance recipients will spend this allowance in their local economies.

Thank you for considering this testimony.

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