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The Honorable Mayor Christopher B. Coleman Honorable Council Members Thao, Noecker, Tolbert, Stark, Brendmoen, Bostrom and Prince Saint Paul City Hall, Third Floor 15 Kellogg Boulevard West Saint Paul, MN 55102

Sent Electronically and Hand Delivered

RE: City of Saint Paul Earned Sick and Safe Proposal

Dear Mayor Coleman and Members of the Saint Paul City Council,

The Business Review Council discussed the Earned Sick and Safe Time Proposal at our August 3, 2016, Full Council meeting and at previous meetings in 2016. The Council appreciates having membership on the task force and being briefed on this proposal early on in the process.

However, BRC membership is concerned about the impact of this proposal as written on business retention, development and expansion in Saint Paul. Therefore, the Council voted unanimously to recommend the Mayor and Saint Paul City Council do all in their power to change the legislation as currently before Council to reflect the amendments proposed by the Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce. These proposed amendments would make the proposal more palatable to Saint Paul businesses and eliminate extremely hard to administer, and possibly illegal, provisions.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and thank you ahead of time for your support for the Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce's proposed amendments to the earned sick and safe proposal.

Paul McGinley, Chair

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C: Mayor's Staff, Council Staff