Hello Council members,

I am writing on behalf of the Wilder Foundation to express our support for municipal policies that will reduce access barriers to early education and child care. We are aware the path forward is not always clear, and funding mechanisms that include tax levies can be controversial, but we are also aware of the cost of inaction. Wilder serves thousands of families that would benefit from universal preschool and we would like to thank you for your work and passion in supporting them. We will continue monitoring opportunities to eliminate barriers for early childcare and are always happy to connect you with community members and service providers who can share their experience and expertise as to why St. Paul must act decisively to eliminate such access barriers. We appreciate your leadership and hard work to bring proposals forward that will benefit the St. Paul community.

Saludos | Good health,

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