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Travis Reese State Office Building, 537 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd St. Paul, MN 55155

## Dear Travis:

I am a quadriplegic in a wheelchair, when I am in public buildings, my care assistant has to change me on bathroom floors. I want to raise awareness of the urgent need for a pull-down table to be used as an adult changing station in Family bathrooms for any person not able to sit on a toilet. Millions of adults' wear briefs and require changing every few hours. Also, remaining in soiled clothing can lead to urinary tract infection, skin rashes or other medical conditions. These stations are in place for babies. We need to be able to effectively change adults that wear adult diapers in a like manner – easily accessible, sanitary and with privacy.

I plan to meet with statewide corporate management, television and government officials. I plan to help write grants, bills, and speak at legislative hearings. I welcome the opportunity to partner with businesses and agencies to ensure adult pull-down tables will be available in public bathrooms. I want to influence decision makers to construct and make available, as soon as possible, bathroom adult changing stations in all airports and other gathering places such as shopping malls, churches, concert halls, casinos, colleges, hospitals, gyms, parks, recreation centers and sports arenas to prevent anyone being changed on the floor. I will proudly champion this important cause with dignity and compassion until this mission is completed. Please feel free to contact me at (651) 398-1454 if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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