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I write today to provide the Minnesota Multi Housing Association's (MHA) support for HF 2415, the High-Rise Sprinkler Grant Program.

The High-Rise Sprinkler Grant Program provides an approach to addressing sprinkler retrofits in high-rise towers that will avoid passing the costs onto affordable housing residents. We believe the required report from cities on the number of buildings is reasonable and vital. This information will better inform the legislature on the size and scale of funding needed in the program; a question that has not been answered since early versions of this proposal were introduced in the legislature.

We ask members of the committee to support HF 2415.

Best regards,

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