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Secretary Robert Wilkie
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Dear Mr. Secretary,

Please accept this letter of support for the approval of a Fisher House in Fargo North Dakota. The Fargo ND VA HCS has one of the largest veteran catchment areas covering all of North Dakota, Parts of Minnesota and South Dakota.

Currently there are no Fisher Houses in North Dakota or South Dakota. The nearest Fisher House is Minnesota's sole Fisher House located in Minneapolis. ND Veterans can travel up to 400 miles one-way to get to the Fargo VA HCS. The Veterans and dependents in the highly rural area are in great need of this facility. Please consider approving this application. Feel free to contact my with any concerns.

Sincerely,

Lonnie L. Wangen
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