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Valeria Silva  
Superintendent  
Saint Paul Public Schools  
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Dear Ms. Silva:

I strongly support the Saint Paul School District's application for the Carol M. White Physical Education Program with a focus on establishing support for quality instruction in physical education.

Healthy students grow into healthy members of the community. Providing content-coaching, district-wide curriculum, professional learning communities, managed instruction and a district-wide fitness test assessment are means to ensure that students become healthy members of our community. The district's application encompasses all of these elements through a well-constructed, articulate plan.

While this project will touch every student in Saint Paul Public Schools' grades K-12, it will also allow the City of Saint Paul and the School District to expand on their existing relationship through Sprockets, the citywide out-of-school-time network. This plan will create an infrastructure that affords our youngest community members a solid foundation of skills and knowledge about adequate physical activity and health that will stay with them for life.

On behalf of the City of Saint Paul, I support the District's grant application for the Carol M. White Physical Education Program. I am committed to ensuring that activities of the City and the Saint Paul Public Schools reinforce one another and saturate the community with wellness efforts. I look forward to continuing our work with the District to benefit the students of the Saint Paul Public Schools.

Sincerely,

Christopher B. Coleman  
Mayor