



**CITY OF SAINT PAUL**

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Ms. Megan Remark  
President and CEO  
Regions Hospital  
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Ms. Barbara Joers  
Chief Executive Officer  
Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare  
200 University Avenue East  
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Dear Commissioner Massman, Ms. Joers, and President Remark,

Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare, Regions Hospital, and the State of Minnesota are all vital employers that contribute significantly to Saint Paul, its vibrancy, and its economy.

As you know, my staff has been in conversation with each of your organizations recently on important facilities projects: Gillette's recent renovation and identified parking needs; Regions strategic facilities planning and projected parking renovation projects, and the State of Minnesota's pursuit of additional parking for its employees.

The growth and renovation of all three of your campuses is great news for the City.

As with most campuses in a built city, expansions and renovations can be difficult. The growth and change of all three of your campuses in this strategic, but tight section of downtown make your situation even trickier.

Given the close proximity of your campuses and the similar timing of your projects, I believe it would be beneficial to fully understand all of the moving pieces. By sharing needs and plans we can all get a better sense of the scale of the change, look for opportunities for increased coordination, and identify any potential sharing of facilities.

To allow us as a City to better assist each of your important organizations – and your growth – I would like to invite staff from each of your organizations to meet with representatives from my office, the Department of Planning and Economic Development, the Parks and Recreation Department, and the Capitol River Council.

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I hope you will agree that an exchange of information can help ensure the best possible outcomes for each of your organizations and identify the best ways for the City of Saint Paul to be of assistance.

Jonathan Sage-Martinson, Director of Planning and Economic Development, will follow up with you in the next few days to discuss this important work.

Thank you for your investment in Saint Paul.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Christopher B. Coleman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Christopher B. Coleman  
Mayor

c: Jonathan Sage-Martinson, Director, Planning and Economic Development Department