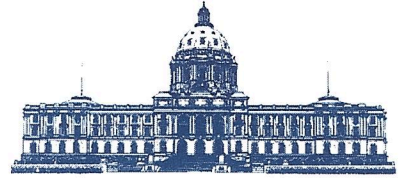


**Jeremy R. Miller**  
State Senator  
District 28



## Senate

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State of Minnesota

January 12, 2021

Governor Tim Walz  
130 State Capitol  
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Governor Walz,

As the 2021 legislative session kicks off, I continue to welcome opportunities for the legislature and administration to work together on bipartisan solutions that are good for Minnesota, especially during this unique, challenging, and divisive time. In the midst of a global pandemic, the legislature has worked with you and your administration to provide emergency funding to help front-line workers and health care facilities manage the effects of the virus in Minnesota. We worked together to ensure proper workplace safety protections for front-line workers. Additionally, we worked together to provide emergency relief for small businesses that have been impacted by the pandemic. During times of crisis, it's more important than ever to work together toward positive solutions.

While COVID-19 has tested our resilience in many ways, we all look forward to brighter days ahead as vaccines are being distributed. I encourage you and your administration to support all available options for swift and effective distribution of the vaccine. As seen in other states, existing COVID testing sites are being transformed into vaccination sites to increase the vaccination rate, which is something I hope we can also explore here in Minnesota, along with other ideas to increase availability and accessibility. Ensuring the health and safety of front-line workers, the elderly population, and individuals at high risk, as well as eventual access for all Minnesotans, is key to regaining some normalcy as we navigate through this difficult time.

A new year, and in this case, a new legislative session is a great opportunity to build off our past accomplishments and move Minnesota forward in a positive direction. It's my hope that members of the House, Senate, and your administration can work together on bipartisan solutions that are good for the people of Minnesota.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. R. Miller".

Jeremy R. Miller  
President of the Minnesota Senate