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Michael J. Rodrigues
Chair, Senate Committee on Ways and Means
State House – Room 212
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Chairman Rodrigues,

I greatly appreciate the opportunity to share my budgetary priorities for the FY25 budget.

The following themes are of central importance to me:

- Increase the total operating and capital transfers to the MBTA.
- Address the housing crisis by funding longer term housing support and job programs.
- Preserve increases to the Department of Conservation and Recreation operating budget.
- Meet commitment to the Student Opportunity Act.
- Preserve funding for services for returning citizens.
- Preserve funding for mobile mental health and other alternatives to police response.

The line-items below are also of importance to me and my constituents:

Indigent Representation

0321-1500 Committee for Public Counsel Services

0321-1510 Private Counsel Compensation – Committee for Public Counsel Services

0321-1520 Indigent Persons Fees and Court Costs

0321-2000 Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee

0321-2100 Prisoners' Legal Services

0840-0100 Victim and Witness Assistance Board

Cultural Activities

0640-0300 Massachusetts Cultural Council

Early Education and Childcare

1596-2435 Childcare Affordability

3000-1042 Childcare Provider Reimbursement

3000-2050 Children's Trust Fund and Related Programs

3000-3060 DCF and DTA Related Childcare

3000-4040 Birth through Pre-School and Related Programs

3000-4050 TANF-Related Childcare and Related Programs

3000-4060 Income Eligible Childcare

3000-5000 Grants to Head Start Programs and Related Programs

3000-6075 Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Services

3000-7000 Healthy Families Home Visiting Program and Related Programs

3000-7050 Services for Infants and Parents

3000-7070 Reach Out and Read Program

Human Services Workers

1599-6903 Chapter 257 and Human Service Reserve

Personal Care Attendants – multiple line items

Indigent Health Care

4000-0500 MassHealth Managed Care

4000-0600 MassHealth Senior Care

4000-0700 MassHealth Fee for Service Payments

Services for People with Disabilities

4110-1000 Community Services for the Blind

4110-3010 Vocational Rehabilitation for the Blind
4120-0200 Independent Living Centers
4120-2000 Vocational Rehabilitation for the Disabled
4120-3000 Employment Assistance
4120-4000 Independent Living Assistance for the Multi Disabled and Related Programs
4120-4001 Accessible Housing Registry for Disabled Persons
4120-6000 Head Injury Treatment Services and Related Programs
4125-0100 Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Low-Income Support

4400-1001 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Administration
4400-1004 Healthy Incentives Program (HIP)
4401-1000 Employment Services Program and Related Program
4403-2000 Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC)
4403-2119 Teen Structured Settings Program
4408-1000 Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled, Children (EAEDC)

Public Health

4510-0100 Public Health Critical Operations and Essential Services
4510-0600 Environmental Health Assessment and Compliance
4510-0710 Health Care Quality and Improvement
4510-0810 Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner & Pediatric SANE and Related Programs
4512-0103 HIV/AIDS Prevention Treatment and Services and Related Programs
4512-0201 Substance Abuse Step-Down Recovery Services
4513-1020 Early Intervention and Related Programs
4513-1112 Chronic Disease Prevention (including Alzheimer's)
4513-1130 Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention
4513-1136 Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Services

4516-1000 State Laboratory and Communicable Disease Control Services
4530-9000 Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program
4590-0250 Smoking Prevention and Cessation
4590-0925 Prostate Cancer Research Program

Youth Services and Job Training

1595-1075 Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund
4000-0005 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative and Related Programs
4000-0007 EOHHS Youth Homeless Program
4590-1506 Youth Violence Prevention Grants and Related Programs
4590-1507 Youth at Risk Matching Grants
4800-0016 Transitional Employment Program (Roca)
7061-9626 Youth-Build Grants
7066-0015 Workforce Development Grants to Community Colleges and Related Programs
7002-0012 YouthWorks and Related Programs
7003-1206 Massachusetts Service Alliance and Related Programs
7061-9634 Mentoring Matching Grants

Mental Health

5011-0100 Department of Mental Health Administration and Operations
5042-5000 Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services and Related Programs
5046-0000 Adult Mental Health and Support Services
5047-0001 Emergency Services and Mental Health Care and Related Programs
5095-0015 Inpatient Facilities and Community-Based Mental Health

Services for People with Developmental Disabilities

5911-1003 Dept. of Developmental Disabilities Administration and Related Programs
5911-2000 Transportation Services

5920-2000 Community Residential Supports and Related Programs
5920-2010 State-Operated Residential Supports and Related Programs
5920-2025 Community Day and Work Programs
5920-3000 Respite Family Supports for the Developmentally Disabled
5920-3010 Autism Division
5920-5000 Turning 22 – Dept. of Developmental Services
5930-1000 State Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled

Library Support

7000-9101 Board of Library Commissioners
7000-9401 State Aid to Regional Libraries
7000-9406 Talking Book & Machine Learning
7000-9406 Talking Book Program Watertown
7000-9501 State Aid to Public Libraries
7000-9506 Library Technology & Resource Sharing
7000-9508 Mass. Center for the Book

Housing and Homelessness Services

1410-0250 Assistance to Homeless Veterans
7004-0100 Caseworkers for Homeless Families and Individuals
7004-0101 Emergency Assistance – Family Shelters & Services and Related Programs
7004-0102 Homeless Individuals Assistance and Related Programs
7004-0104 Home and Healthy for Good Program and Related Programs
7004-0108 HomeBASE
7004-1000 Supplemental Funding for Low Income Residents' Utilities
7004-2033 Fuel assistance
7004-3036 Housing Services and Counseling
7004-3045 Tenancy Preservation Program

7004-4314 Service Coordinators Program
7004-9005 Subsidies to Public Housing Authorities
7004-9024 Mass. Rental Voucher Program – MRVP
7004-9030 Alternative Housing Voucher Program
7004-9034 Housing Assistance for Re-Entry Transition
7004-9316 Residential Assistance for Families in Transition
7004-9322 Secure Jobs Pilot
7006-0011 Loan Originator Administration and Consumer Counseling Program

Elementary and Secondary Education

7009-9600 Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment and Related Programs
7009-6600 Early College
7010-0012 METCO
7027-0019 School-to-Career Connecting Activities and Related Programs
7030-1005 Reading Recovery and Related Programs
7035-0035 Advanced Placement Math and Science Programs
7061-0009 Chapter 70 Aid
7061-0012 Special Education Circuit Breaker and related programs
7061-9010 Charter School Reimbursement and related programs
7061-9412 Extended Learning Time Grants
7061-9611 After-School and Out-of-School Grants
7066-0019 Concurrent & Dual Enrollment Programming (CDEP)

Scholarships and Fellowships

7070-0065 Massachusetts State Scholarship Program

Adult Education and Citizenship Services

4003-0122 Low-Income Citizenship Program

7035-0002 Adult Basic Education

Elder Care

1201-0100 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

9110-1604 Supportive Senior Housing Program

9110-1630 Home Care Services

9110-1633 Elder Home Care Case Management and Administration

9110-1636 Elder Protective Services

9110-1700 Elder Homeless Placement

9110-1900 Elder Nutrition Program

9110-9002 Grants to Councils on Aging

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William N. Brownsberger". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "W" and "B".

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State Senator
Suffolk & Middlesex District