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October 25, 2021

Dane County Board of Supervisors  
Health and Human Needs Committee  
210 Martin Luther King Blvd  
Madison, WI 53703

Honorable Members of the Health and Human Needs Committee:

SSM Health thanks the committee for the opportunity to submit comments prior to your 10/25/2021 meeting regarding Dane County's 2022 operating budget. We are writing to request your support for amendment HHN-O-4, which relates to funding for the "Double Dollars" program.

As an anchor healthcare organization in the community we recognize the vital role the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) plays for families across Dane County. A further investment in the Dane County Double Dollars program will help individuals who rely on SNAP stretch their dollars further and access more healthy foods. Making a healthy diet more affordable is important to the overall health of a community and a priority we support.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comments and for your work on all of the important issues facing our community. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to SSM Health's Director of Government Affairs, Ben Van Pelt, at [benjamin.vanpelt@ssmhealth.com](mailto:benjamin.vanpelt@ssmhealth.com).

Sincerely,

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