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COUNTY OF RAMSEY

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SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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Case Type: Civil

In Re Temporary Funding of Core
Function of the Executive Branch
Of the State of Minnesota

Court File No.: 62-cv-11-5203
(Judge Gearin)

**AFFIDAVIT OF
REBECCA HALL**

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF STEARNS)

Rebecca Hall, being under oath, states as follows:

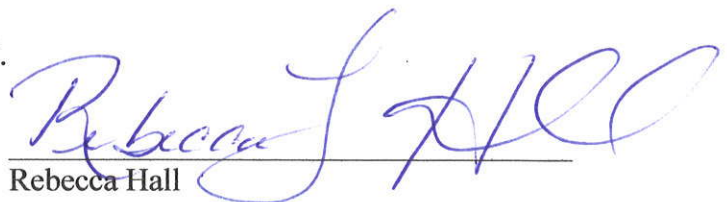
1. My name is Rebecca Hall. I live at 815 15th Street North St. Cloud, MN 56303. I make this affidavit based on personal knowledge.
2. I have owned and operated Changing Faces Multicultural Daycare since 1998 in St Cloud, MN. The potential government shutdown and disruption in the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) would be disastrous for the families I serve and my family.
3. I care for 12 kids in my Daycare. All the families I serve our childcare are all recipients of support from the Minnesota Child Care Assistance Program.
4. If the State Government shuts down CCAP, my families would have no options for child care. This would be a tragedy since many families depend on child care to be able to hold down a full time job and strive to provide for their children on a daily basis. Most of the families we serve are low-income single parent families have little or options for child care if they don't receive assistance. If they are not working, the families would need an even greater amount of public assistance to survive.

5. My parents are doing everything they can to keep kids in day care so that they can keep their jobs – some have proposed arrangements of bartering goods or services. However, I cannot keep my doors open with that sort of arrangement; I need CCAP income to pay my bills.
6. Within our personal family, we survive on our in home childcare business as our primary source of income we receive. If the Child Care Assistance Program were interrupted, all my monthly income would be gone and my family would be forced to seek government assistance to survive.
7. As payment for caring for 12 children, I receive \$2200 a month from CCAP. This is virtually my entire monthly income. If the State failed to pay one check in July, I would struggle to pay my \$1000 monthly mortgage payment, and my \$400 / month energy bill. The first things to go would be car payments, and payments for car insurance and gas; I could not drive or afford internet.
8. My doors would close if I had to miss two checks; I would have to go out and find whatever job she could get. In addition, the costs of my program are too high; for example, I routinely spend \$300 above and beyond my monthly food program reimbursement.
9. Child care is my calling; I am college-educated and working toward a masters, but with no child care income, I would take whatever job I could get to survive. Finding a job would be difficult to impossible in this economy and in my community. The MN Government Shutdown could possible destroy everything that I have worked for over the years as a childcare provider to provide for underprivileged multi-cultural families.

10. At the same time, a state government shutdown would lead to a loss of economic well-being in my community if families are also not receiving their public assistance benefits such as; MFIP, food stamps, and medical assistance. This shut-down will greatly affect not only the low-income poor communities but this will also affect many government employees, self employed employees, the community in general and overall the economy.

11. The above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Rebecca Hall
St. Cloud, MN
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.


Rebecca Hall

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 22nd day of June 22, 2011.


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