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Melissa Cundari
Midwest Regional SNAP Director
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Dear Melissa Cundari,

Enclosed for your review is a request to lift the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) ABAWD work requirement statewide effective October 1, 2021. Wisconsin is making this request based on the State's recent receipt of extended unemployment benefits, as allowed under SNAP regulations at 7 CFR 273.24(f)(2). Implementing this option will allow Wisconsin residents currently suffering from the exceptional circumstances brought on by the recent public health emergency and subsequent economic recovery to continue to access SNAP benefits and decrease food insecurity.

Wisconsin appreciates the Food and Nutrition Service's prompt review and approval of this option. Wisconsin will very soon be making systematic changes related to this request for FY2021, and appreciates your willingness to help us meet these deadlines. If you have questions or concerns you may reach out to Julie Taylor at Julie.Taylor@dhs.wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stevy Poppe".

Stevy Poppe
Interim FoodShare Director, Bureau of Eligibility and Enrollment Policy
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