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May 15, 2010

The Honorable Margaret Anderson Kelliher Speaker of the House 463 State Office Building Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Speaker Kelliher:

I have signed into law, with a number of line-item vetoes, the LCCMR appropriations bill, Chapter 362, House File 2624.

• Page 17, lines 13 to 19: A \$143,000 appropriation for the Analysis of Options for Minnesota's Energy Independence. This project has a similar objective to the project vetoed last year and although the study focus has been amended, it remains vague and focused largely on existing research. Again, in times of financial crisis we must be extra prudent with the expenditures we approve.

Sincerely,

Tim Pawlenty Governor

cc: Senator James Metzen, President of the Senate

Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller, Majority Leader

Senator David Senjem, Minority Leader

Senator Ellen Anderson

Representative Kurt Zellers, Minority Leader

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