Dear President Spear:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, S.F. Nos. 2407, 2082 and 2050.

Warmest regards,
Arne H. Carlson, Governor

April 21, 1998

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear President Spear:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, Chapter 401, Senate File Number 3353, with the exception of the following line item vetoes: page 6, section 4, lines 65-68 and page 7, section 4, lines 1-9; page 12, section 6, lines 10-12; and page 13, section 6, lines 1-8.

The grant to Linwood township to construct a surface water drainage system did not meet the Department of Natural Resources’ requirements for a flood mitigation grant. In addition, this provision has not been supported by the local community, which has not favored using property tax dollars or other local funding for this project.

The $125,000 appropriation to Market Champ, Inc. creates a nonprofit public corporation for the purpose of transferring swine genetic material from the University of Minnesota to farmers. This function could be accomplished without a sizeable appropriation or the development of an entirely new entity. The University of Minnesota already has systems in place for the transfer of information to farmers and could provide information on swine genetics.

The $60,000 appropriation to the Department of Agriculture appears to be pass through funding for the Attorney General’s Office to provide assistance to local governments with animal feedlot ordinances. This is a service that is currently provided by state agencies with existing resources, which deems this appropriation unnecessary.

Warmest regards,
Arne H. Carlson, Governor