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MINNESOTA FARMERS UNION

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT DOUG PETERSON

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Rep. Bill Hilty, Chair
Energy Finance and Policy Division
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Chairman Hilty:

On behalf of the membership of the Minnesota Farmers Union (MFU), I wanted to take a moment to urge your **support** of HF 1182 authored by Rep. David Bly, which would repeal exemptions for public service corporations concerning eminent domain.

MFU's policy adopted by our members at the grassroots level strongly supports the right of property owners. MFU's main concerns that we believe this legislation will address is issues our members have with pipelines and power lines. Our members have not opposed these types of projects, they just want to be treated properly and compensated fairly.

This issue is a top priority for MFU in the 2010 session and again I urge your consideration of **support** for this legislation, and please feel free to contact me if I can answer any questions.

Regards,

Doug Peterson, President

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