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The Honorable Robert Vanasek Speaker of the House Minnesota House of Representatives 463 State Office Building Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Today I have signed into law Chapter 208, House File 961/Senate File 954, which extends two agricultural programs.

The more critical of these programs is Farmer-Lender Mediation which is managed by the University of Minnesota Extension Service to assure farm foreclosure actions are handled in an orderly fashion. My approval of Chapter 208 reauthorizes this program for the period June 30, 1992 through June 30, 1993.

The other agricultural program contained in Chapter 208 provides a \$15,000 appropriation for a data collection task force. This provision, Section 3 of the bill, I have line-item vetoed. The work of this task force, surveys of the financial condition of the State's farmers, I believe can be absorbed in either the public or private sectors by those institutions managing farm lending and economic development programs.

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