May 10, 1994

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 642, Senate File 2168, a bill relating to agriculture (with the exceptions of item vetoes on Page 16, lines 24-36; Page 17, lines 1-25; Page 17, lines 32-36 and Page 18, lines 1-10; Page 18, lines 24-29; Page 18, lines 35-36 and Page 19, lines 1-7; Page 19, lines 25-36 and Page 20, lines 1-7; Page 20, lines 20-25; Page 22, lines 19-23).

With this, as with many other pieces of legislation sent to me by the legislature this session, I have been forced to carefully scrutinize the provisions contained and make difficult decisions regarding spending reductions in order to maintain a strong fiscal position for the state of Minnesota.

We have worked closely with the Department of Agriculture to best utilize the available dollars for the maximum benefit to the agricultural community as a whole. Many of the items that have been removed from the bill are items that could be more suitably dealt with next year during the biennial budget process. What remains is a package that reaffirms my strong commitment to the agricultural community.

Warmest regards, Arne H. Carlson, Governor