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Chair Gomez, Chair Davids, and Members of the House Taxes Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of Rep. Wolgamott's HF 2086, modifying the requirements for the senior citizens' property tax deferral program.

Minnesota Realtors<sup>®</sup> was founded in 1919 and is a business trade association with a membership of over 21,000 real estate professionals statewide.

MNR supports efforts to improve, enhance, and update Minnesota's homeowner property tax relief programs.

HF 2086 would increase the household income limit and reduce the number of years a homeowner must own and occupy the property to qualify for the senior citizens' property tax deferral program.

Modifying the eligibility criteria for this program is reasonable and would provide some seniors struggling to pay their property taxes an option that will allow them to remain in their home.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of HF 2086.

Sincerely,

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