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Representative Keith Allen  
Minnesota House of Representatives  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative Allen,

On behalf of the Minnesota Milk Producers Association and our more than 1,500 dairy farm families and industry partners across the state, I write to express our strong support for HF2387, the “Got Milk” Bill.

We apologize for being unable to testify tomorrow, March 25, due to industry conflicts.

This commonsense legislation addresses a simple but costly problem in our school lunch system—students being required to take a full meal when all they want is milk. This outdated policy leads to unacceptable levels of food waste and inefficient spending of taxpayer dollars. Allowing students to choose milk without taking a full meal not only promotes dairy consumption, but also reduces waste and improves the cost-effectiveness of school meal programs.

Minnesota’s dairy farmers work hard every day to provide a wholesome, nutritious product that is essential to children’s growth and development. Yet, we routinely hear from families and schools about the frustration of seeing food—and funding—literally thrown away due to rigid program requirements. HF2387 offers a pragmatic, no-cost solution that benefits students, schools, and taxpayers alike.

We thank you for your leadership on this issue and urge swift passage of the “Got Milk” Bill. Minnesota Milk stands ready to support this legislation and work with policymakers to promote both economic efficiency and access to healthy dairy products in our schools.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lucas Sjostrom". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping 'L' and 'S'.

Lucas Sjostrom  
Executive Director  
Minnesota Milk Producers Association

*Advancing the Success of Minnesota Dairy Farms*