



March 13, 2023

Rep. Luke Frederick  
Assistant Majority Leader  
487 State Office Building  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Rep. Frederick,

On behalf of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, I would like to offer support for funding to FarmAmerica's Agricultural Interpretive Center. FarmAmerica educates the public on the importance of Minnesota agriculture through hands-on experiences, farm tours, community engagement, and more. This valuable programming creates a deeper understanding of agriculture's contributions to our food and fuel supply as well as career opportunities in agriculture for Minnesotans all over the state.

Our agency appreciates FarmAmerica's work to connect Minnesotans with the history and future of farming and encourages your continued support of this important resource.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Thom Petersen'.

Thom Petersen  
Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

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