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To: Minnesota House Transportation Finance and Policy Committee

Subject: Support for HF4313, Establishing a Highways for Habitat Program and inclusion in HF1683 Omnibus

Dear Chair Hornstein and Committee Members,

Humming for Bees, along with our members and supporters, strongly support establishing a Highways for Habitat Program. With this action, Minnesota will significantly promote healthy habitats important for the survival of species including pollinators, birds, and many other insects and animals. In addition, utilization of integrated roadside vegetation management principles improves soil health which in turn reduces water runoff and improves ground water quality. This program along with others is an important step in maintaining, if not improving, soil, plant, and animal diversity leading to a richer, sustainable environment.

Please continue Minnesota's leadership and stewardship in the valuing of the quality and diversity of our environment and move this bill forward.

Thank you,

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