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April 23, 2020

Representative Rick Hansen

Chair

House Environment and Natural Resources Finance Committee

100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: Support for Amendment to Omnibus Bill Removing Sunset Provision on Deer Stands in Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs)

Dear Representative Hansen:

The Minnesota Deer Hunters Association (MDHA) submits this letter to express its support for the amendment to the Omnibus Bill that would remove the sunset provision that currently exists in Minn. Stat. sec. 97A.137, subd. 5(b) regarding the use of deer stands in certain WMAs.

Specifically, MDHA has a standing resolution supporting a change in law to make the provisions contained in Minn. Stat. sec. 97A.137, subd. 5(b) permanent and statewide, so removing the existing sunset provision in the law would be completely consistent with MDHA's position.

MDHA is appreciative of your consideration of its position and of your work on behalf of Minnesota's deer hunters.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (218) 244-6822.

Sincerely,

Craig L. Engwall

MDHA Executive Director