ATTN: Staff Member Laura Taken-Holtze

RE: HF874

As a Minnesota homeschooler, I strongly oppose HF 874 and am concerned that this amendment, if passed, would threaten the freedoms in education that I and my fellow homeschoolers have so much appreciated and that our children have benefitted from. The obscure language, the inclusion of words such as "quality" and "fundamental rights," and the insinuations that education must look the same for all children, leaves too much room for misinterpretation and could be detrimental to children who need individualized education.

David Watkins, Executive Director of the Minnesota Association of Christian Home Educators has stated that "changing the current constitution is totally unnecessary and dangerous," and I fully agree.

Please reject proposed amendment HF874.

Respectfully, Lacinda Damsgard