

Dear Senator Rarick,

As an alumni and former track and field athlete of the University of Minnesota, I am frustrated by the University's decision to drop Men's Indoor Track and Field. I care about the program because it was a significant personal growth experience for me while I attended the University and it helped develop many of today's community leaders in the Twin Cities. Legendary Coach Roy Griak made it his life's work to build a program that positively impacted thousands of young people like myself. We owe it to his legacy to find a way to continue this program for future generations.

From what I understand, the hearing on February 15 is tentative and I want to make sure it happens. Please know that I am carefully watching and want to see positive movement toward sports reintroduced.

Sincerely,

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