



January 31st, 2023  
Senate Housing and Homeless Prevention Committee  
Chair Lindsey Port  
3213 Minnesota Senate Building  
95 University Avenue West  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

Dear Chair Port and members of the Committee,

The Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF) appreciates the opportunity to offer our support for SF234 on behalf of our nearly 30,000 farm families, and thanks Representative Draheim for bringing this bill forward.

Minnesota's rural communities continue to face adversity through lack of workforce housing and infrastructure creating barriers to Minnesotans who wish to make rural areas their home. Greater Minnesota's housing shortage is a complex issue; however, these grants may help to alleviate some of the obstacles these communities are facing. Providing adequate housing infrastructure is one of the key components to helping rural communities flourish and working Minnesotans will be able to live closer to their place of employment.

Availability of housing is critical to our rural communities. This pilot program will assist communities' ability to develop the necessary infrastructure to accommodate newcomers and strengthen the overall vitality of rural communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Dan Glessing'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dan Glessing  
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