

Mister Chair and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to share my support for SF3869. My name is Linda Warner. I reside in the Highland neighborhood of Saint Paul. I'm a Realtor Estate Broker and have experience in referring Clients for yard development and improvement. There are some awful products in the market that are not permeable.

Currently, we are replacing turf grass at our home. The sod was laid in 2013 and has not performed well. Despite urban living and rigorous lawn care, we have been unable to grow grass in our shaded lawn or where raccoons have dug up grass searching for grubs. With ruts, we cannot manage runoff water and keep it away from our pool.

My husband and I are avid recyclers and the ability to recycle is considered in all our purchases. We have consciously decided to use a product with a knitted base and set upon 4" of gravel. No PFOs or PFAs are in this product. It is also fully recyclable when delivered to an appropriate recycler. We will also be eliminating the need for lawn care and the heavy emissions of lawn care equipment.

We are very pleased to see this Bill and to prevent repeating the substandard installations in America's southwest.

Thank you.

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