



MN Solar is a small, woman-owned residential solar installer based in Plymouth, MN. Our employees live and work in the communities we serve. We focus on providing the most affordable, high-quality solar solutions and exceptional customer experience for homeowners in the Metro area. We support the proposed tax credit bill for residential and commercial solar, as it will make solar energy more accessible and affordable for homeowners and businesses driving clean energy adoption and sustainability. Please consider passing this bill for the following reasons:

1. Building a Cleaner Grid

- a. Expanding solar energy reduces reliance on fossil fuels, lowering carbon emissions.
- b. A cleaner grid improves air quality and public health.
- c. Investing in renewables aligns with Minnesota's climate goals and sustainability commitments.

2. Economic Growth and Job Creation

- a. The solar industry provides high-quality, local jobs in installation, maintenance, and manufacturing.
- b. Incentives for solar projects attract businesses and investment to Minnesota.
- c. Supporting solar can help small businesses and homeowners save energy costs, boosting local economies.

3. Energy Independence and Resilience

- a. Increasing solar installations reduces reliance on out-of-state energy sources.
- b. Distributed solar generation strengthens grid reliability and reduces power outages.
- c. Encouraging energy storage alongside solar enhances Minnesota's energy security.

4. Affordability and Equity

- a. Tax incentives make solar more accessible for homeowners, businesses, and underserved communities.
- b. Long-term savings on electricity bills help families and businesses reduce expenses.
- c. Incentives can help close the energy equity gap by providing affordable clean energy options.

5. Leadership in Renewable Energy

- a. This bill would position Minnesota as a leader in clean energy innovation.
- b. Initiative-taking solar policies attract clean energy companies and investors to the state.
- c. Minnesota can set an example for other states by prioritizing sustainability and economic growth.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim", followed by a horizontal line.

Kim Benjamin  
President