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## STATE OF MINNESOTA

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ST. PAUL 55101

September 22, 1969

The Honorable Robert W. Carlson Commissioner Minnesota Department of Agriculture 530 State Office Building St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Commissioner Carlson:

I am hereby designating the Department of Agriculture as the appropriate State Agency with which the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture may cooperate in applying for, receiving, and accepting federal funds in behalf of municipalities who are cooperating with the United States Department of Agriculture under the Wholesome Meat Act.

This authority is being delegated under the provision of M. S. 1967, 4.07 and a copy is being filed with the Secretary of State.

Sincerely.

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## STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OT PAUL MINIEDOTA 88101

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August 27, 1:69

The Honorable Harold LeVander Governor of Minnesota Room 130 Capital St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Governor LeVendors

We have entered into a cooperative agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture to provide for State-Federal cooperation in developing, administering, and enforcing a State ment inspection program and the Rederal Meat Emprection Act (j4 Stat. 1260, as amended by the Wholesome Neat Act, 81 Stat. 584) makes the following provision:

(b) "The appropriate State agency with which the Secretary may cooperate under this Act shall be a single
agency in the State which is primarily responsible
for the coordination of the State programs having
objectives similar to those under this Act. When the
State program includes performance of certain functions
by a municipality or other subordinate governmental
unit, such unit shall be deemed to be a purt of the
State agency for purposes of this section."

We are entrently entering into cooperative agreements with certain municipalities in the State of Minnesota to provide for State-Municipal Cooperation in Geveloping, equinistering and enforcing the State Most Magnetian program. The Minnesota Department of Agriculture will bill the United States Department of Agriculture in behalf of the manicipality and mendes in payment of these billings will be channeled back to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, and we will in turn relaborate the municipality.

To accomplish this, it will be necessary to invoke the provisions of Finn. Stat. 4.07 under which you have the authority to designate a state agency to receive and accept such federal funds to carry out the purposed for which funds are received. The State Auditor is acting

up a coparate appropriation unit to receive these funds and under this seem unit we will be able to reinburse the municipality. Subdivision 1 of M.S. 4.07 further indicates that such designation shall be filed in the effice of the Secretary of State.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yourg,

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Robert W. Carlson Commissionor

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