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HF 1290

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The Honorable Harry Sieben, Jr.
Speaker of the House
State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Speaker Sieben:

This letter is to advise you that I have today signed H.F. No. 1290, the State Departments appropriations bill. However, I have, pursuant to the powers vested in me by Article IV, Section 23 of the Minnesota Constitution, determined to line-item veto two provisions in that bill.

The first of the provisions I have vetoed appears on lines 14 through 16 of page 18 and reads as follows:

\$136,000 each year is for the
reinstatement of walk-in taxpayer
assistance programs.

I believe that taxpayer assistance can best be provided through a combination of telephone assistance and volunteer programs. The walk-in programs, in my opinion, are not cost-effective.

The second of the provisions I have vetoed appears on lines 8 through 10 of page 31 and reads as follows:

\$125,000 the first year and \$125,000
the second year is for a grant to the
Duluth port authority.

I believe that it is inappropriate for the state to make a direct appropriation to one of many port authorities now located in the state. If support for a particular port authority is appropriate, and it may very well be in the case of Duluth, that decision should be made by state agencies involved in economic development and international trade.

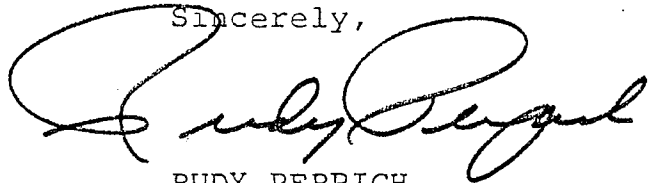
It is my intention that the funds specified in the vetoed provisions be restored to the general appropriations for the programs as specified on line 13 of page 18, and on line 7 of page 31, respectively.

I want to take this opportunity to advise you that pursuant to the powers granted me pursuant to lines 12 through 21 of page 9 of H.F. No. 1290, I intend to transfer to the general appropriation for the state ceremonial building (as included on lines 40 through 42 of page 8) the amounts designated for part-time staff assistance to the state ceremonial building council as noted on lines 42 through 46 of page 8.

I believe that the state should not be expending general fund moneys for this purpose. Further, I have been advised by the council that they intend not to use such funding if it were to be appropriated.

Pursuant to the requirement of Article IV, Section 23 of the Minnesota Constitution, an executed copy of this letter has been appended to the bill as filed with the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rudy Perpich".

RUDY PERPICH
GOVERNOR

cc: Senator Jerry Willet, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee
Representative Jim Rice, Chairman, House Appropriations
Committee
Senator Carl Kroening, Senate author of H.F. No. 1290
Representative Phyllis Kahn, House author of H.F. No. 1290