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Statement of Support for Minnesota's State-Local Environmental Health Partnership

The Environmental Health Continuous Improvement Board (Board) was chartered by the Local Public Health Association and the Minnesota Department of Health to fundamentally advance Minnesota's state-local partnership in Environmental Health. The Board identified repairing and improving the partnership in the area of food, pools and lodging services as a first step.

Therefore, the Board and the organizations it represents, in recognition of and commitment to the state-local partnership, believe and support the following:

- A strong partnership between state and local programs is essential to the continuous improvement of environmental public health in Minnesota;
- Together, we value the strengths and abilities that we each bring to this partnership;
- Both state and local environmental public health programs are committed to a shared responsibility and common vision to protect the health of all Minnesotans; and
- Guided by this vision we will work together to provide coordinated and comprehensive services to the public we serve.

Signed,

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