



- As Governor I do not micro manage my departments.
- In meeting their responsibilities, I trust that my commissioners are making decisions based on efficiency and with integrity and fairness.
- Representative Goodwin was irresponsible in saying that CFL spent 3-million dollars on a Web site that wasn't functional. In fact, the Web site is fully functional and is used on a daily basis by school districts throughout the state of Minnesota.
- Big projects like these often need specialized expertise and it wouldn't make sense for the state to go out and hire fulltime employees for a temporary need.
- I have asked my commissioners to limit government. Since I've taken office, the hiring of full time government employees has slowed considerably.
- In the transportation department, we are accelerating many projects in order to help provide jobs, especially on the Iron Range. I make no apologies for the hiring of consulting engineers in order to get these projects up and running, so we can provide jobs to laid-off miners this summer.