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State Senator Bill Ingebrigtsen receives CGMC Legislator of Distinction Award

ST. PAUL—State Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen was recognized by the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities (CGMC) Aug. 3 during the Coalition’s three-day summer conference in Fergus Falls for his positive impact on the state’s environmental policy.

Sen. Ingebrigtsen, a Republican from Alexandria, is serving his fourth term in the Minnesota Senate. The Legislator of Distinction Award is given to legislators who played key roles in advancing CGMC’s policy during the preceding session.

As chair of the Senate Environment Finance Committee, Sen. Ingebrigtsen was a strong supporter of the CGMC’s environmental regulatory reform initiatives. The CGMC pursued numerous environment-related bills this session, and he made sure that they all received hearings in his committee. He included several CGMC proposals in the Senate’s environment omnibus bill, and continued to fight for their passage until the very end of the legislative session.

“Sen. Ingebrigtsen has proven to be a strong proponent of common-sense regulatory reform,” said Sara Carlson, mayor of Alexandria and president of the CGMC. “He fought hard for legislation that would improve the regulatory process and give cities better tools to fight against ineffective, unscientific and costly water quality regulations.”

CGMC is a nonprofit, nonpartisan advocacy organization representing 90 cities outside of the Twin Cities metropolitan area. The Coalition educates legislators about issues important to Greater Minnesota.

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