

CHAPTER 104--H.F.No. 2682

An act relating to legacy; appropriating money from outdoor heritage fund; appropriating money for Medal of Honor memorial; extending and modifying previous appropriations from legacy funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 97A.056, subdivision 5; Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2, subdivision 3; article 4, section 2, subdivision 2; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5; article 4, section 2, subdivisions 2, 8; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 10, article 1, section 24, subdivision 2.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

ARTICLE 1**OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND****Section 1. OUTDOOR HERITAGE APPROPRIATIONS.**

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the outdoor heritage fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2020" and "2021" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, or June 30, 2021, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2020. "The second year" is fiscal year 2021. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2020 and 2021. These are onetime appropriations.

	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
	<u>Available for the Year</u>	
	<u>Ending June 30</u>	
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Sec. 2. <u>OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND</u>		
Subdivision 1. <u>Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-0-</u> <u>\$</u> <u>117,915,000</u>
<u>This appropriation is from the outdoor heritage fund. The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.</u>		
Subd. 2. <u>Prairies</u>		<u>-0-</u> <u>35,832,000</u>
<u>(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase XII</u>		
<u>\$2,066,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources to acquire in fee and restore and enhance lands for wildlife management under</u>		

Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, and to acquire lands in fee for scientific and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring lands that are eligible for the native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area Program - Phase XII

\$3,322,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire in fee and restore and enhance lands for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring lands that are eligible for the native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(c) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Project - Phase X

\$3,365,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with The Nature Conservancy to acquire lands in fee and to restore and enhance native prairies, grasslands, wetlands, and savannas. Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring lands that are eligible for the native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native prairie. No later than 180 days after The Nature Conservancy's fiscal year ends, The Nature Conservancy must submit to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council annual income statements and balance sheets for income and expenses from land acquired with this appropriation. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan, and the acquisitions must be consistent with the priorities identified in *Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan*.

**(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge
Land Acquisition - Phase XI**

\$2,295,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with The Nature Conservancy, in cooperation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to acquire lands in fee or permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance lands in the Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area in western Minnesota for addition to the Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge. Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring lands that are eligible for the native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan, and the acquisitions must be consistent with the priorities in *Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan*.

**(e) Lower Wild Rice Corridor Habitat Restoration -
Phase III**

\$1,888,000 the second year is to acquire land in permanent conservation easement and to restore river and related habitat in the Wild Rice River corridor. Of this amount, \$148,000 is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Wild Rice Watershed District and \$1,740,000 is to the Board of Water and Soil Resources. The Board of Water and Soil Resources may use up to \$78,000 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed acquisitions must be included as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(f) Martin County DNR WMA Acquisition - Phase IV

\$2,387,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire lands in fee and restore and enhance strategic prairie grassland, wetland, and other wildlife habitat in Martin County for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. Of this amount, \$1,665,000 is to Fox Lake Conservation League Inc., \$618,000 is to Ducks Unlimited, and \$104,000 is to

The Conservation Fund. A list of proposed acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(g) RIM Grasslands Reserve - Phase II

\$3,233,000 the second year is to the Board of Water and Soil Resources to acquire permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance grassland habitat under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.501 to 103F.531. Of this amount, up to \$58,000 is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the final report.

(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the Southern Red River Valley - Phase VI

\$1,736,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Pheasants Forever, in cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie Chicken Society, to acquire lands in fee and restore and enhance lands in the southern Red River valley for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, or to be designated and managed as waterfowl production areas in Minnesota in cooperation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring lands that are eligible for the native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(i) Heron Lake Area Conservation Partnership

\$4,493,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire land in fee for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, or to be designated and managed as waterfowl production areas in Minnesota, in cooperation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service; to acquire land in permanent conservation easement; and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat within the Heron Lake Watershed as follows:

\$1,450,000 is to Ducks Unlimited; \$1,181,000 is to Pheasants Forever; \$801,000 is to the Heron Lake Watershed District; and \$1,061,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust, of which up to \$120,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for establishing monitoring and enforcement funds as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(j) Cannon River Watershed Habitat Complex - Phase IX

\$1,148,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with The Trust for Public Land, in cooperation with Great River Greening, to acquire lands in fee in the Cannon River watershed for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8; to acquire lands in fee for aquatic management areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 14; to acquire lands in fee for scientific and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; to acquire lands in fee for state forests under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 7; and to restore and enhance lands in the Cannon River watershed. Of this amount, \$887,000 is to The Trust for Public Land and \$261,000 is to Great River Greening. Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring lands that are eligible for the native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions and restorations must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(k) Accelerating the USFWS Habitat Conservation Easement Program - Phase II

\$3,187,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Ducks Unlimited, in cooperation with Pheasants Forever and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to acquire permanent conservation working lands easements and to restore wetlands and prairie grasslands. Of this amount, \$2,248,000 is to Ducks Unlimited and \$939,000 is to Pheasants Forever. A list of proposed

acquisitions and restorations must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(l) DNR Grassland Enhancement - Phase XII

\$4,432,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources to accelerate restoration and enhancement of prairies, grasslands, and savannas in wildlife management areas, in scientific and natural areas, in aquatic management areas, on lands in the native prairie bank, in bluff prairies on state forest land in southeastern Minnesota, and in waterfowl production areas and refuge lands of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(m) Enhanced Public Land: Grasslands - Phase IV

\$2,280,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance and restore grassland and wetland habitat on public lands. A list of proposed land restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

Subd. 3. Forests

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13,669,000

(a) Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape ACUB Protection Program - Phase VIII

\$2,712,000 the second year is to the Board of Water and Soil Resources, in cooperation with the Morrison County Soil and Water Conservation District, to acquire permanent conservation easements and restore and enhance forest wildlife habitat within the boundaries of the Minnesota National Guard Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape and Army Compatible Use Buffer. Of this amount, up to \$143,000 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the final report.

(b) Southeast Minnesota Protection and Restoration - Phase VIII

\$2,704,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements as follows:

(1) \$1,144,000 to The Nature Conservancy to acquire lands in fee for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8; for scientific and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; for state forests under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 7; and for aquatic management areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 14, and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat;

(2) \$797,000 to The Trust for Public Land to acquire lands in fee for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8; for scientific and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; for state forests under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 7; and for aquatic management areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 14; and

(3) \$763,000 to Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat, of which \$96,000 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(c) Northern Forest Habitat Conservation

\$4,205,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to acquire forest land in fee to be permanently protected and managed by St. Louis County as county forest lands. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(d) DNR Forest Habitat Enhancement

\$1,773,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the northern forest region in wildlife management areas, scientific and natural areas, aquatic management areas, and state forests. A list of proposed land

restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(e) Southeast Forest Habitat Enhancement - Phase II

\$1,000,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources to restore and enhance forests in southeastern Minnesota. A list of proposed land enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(f) Young Forest Conservation - Phase III

\$1,275,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the American Bird Conservancy to enhance publicly owned, permanently protected forest lands for wildlife management. A list of proposed forest land enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

Subd. 4. Wetlands

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12,625,000

(a) Accelerating Waterfowl Production Area Acquisition - Phase XII

\$3,658,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Pheasants Forever, in cooperation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to acquire lands in fee and to restore and enhance wetlands and grasslands to be designated and managed as waterfowl production areas in Minnesota. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection and Restoration Program - Phase IX

\$4,608,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire lands in fee for wildlife management under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, and to restore and enhance prairie lands, wetlands, and land buffering shallow lakes. A list of proposed acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(c) Wetland Habitat Protection Program - Phase V

\$2,683,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance prairie, wetland, and other habitat on permanently protected conservation easements in high-priority wetland habitat complexes in the prairie and forest/prairie transition regions. Of this amount, up to \$240,000 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed conservation easement acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(d) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands Enhancement - Phase XII

\$1,676,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources to enhance and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat statewide. A list of proposed land restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

Subd. 5. Habitats-0-55,429,000**(a) Protecting Coldwater Fisheries on Minnesota's North Shore**

\$1,809,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in priority coldwater tributaries to Lake Superior. Of this amount, up to \$144,000 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed conservation easement acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(b) Metro Big Rivers - Phase X

\$6,473,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire lands in

fee and permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance natural habitat systems associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota, and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in the metropolitan area. Of this amount, \$801,000 is to Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge Trust Inc., \$300,000 is to Friends of the Mississippi River, \$366,000 is to Great River Greening, \$3,406,000 is to The Trust for Public Land, and \$1,600,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$144,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed land acquisitions and permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(c) Resilient Habitat for Heritage Brook Trout

\$2,266,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire land in fee and permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance habitat in targeted watersheds of southeast Minnesota to improve heritage brook trout and coldwater communities. Of this amount, \$350,000 is to The Nature Conservancy, \$258,000 is to Trout Unlimited, \$857,000 is to The Trust for Public Land, and \$801,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$96,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed land acquisitions and permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(d) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic North Central Minnesota Lakes - Phase VI

\$2,814,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire lands in fee and permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard Counties. Of this amount, \$883,000 is to Northern Waters Land Trust and \$1,931,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$192,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring

and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(e) Accelerating Habitat Conservation in Southwest Minnesota

\$3,044,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance high-quality wildlife habitat in southwest Minnesota. Of this amount, up to \$144,000 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed conservation easement acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(f) Targeted RIM Easement Program to Individual Parcel: Pine and Leech Watersheds - Phase I

\$2,458,000 the second year is to the Board of Water and Soil Resources to acquire and restore permanent conservation easements of high-quality forest, wetland, and shoreline habitat. Of this amount, \$164,000 is for an agreement with the Crow Wing County Soil and Water Conservation District. Up to \$97,000 of the total amount is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed acquisitions must be included as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(g) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor Project - Phase V

\$3,695,000 the second year is to acquire lands in fee and conservation easement and restore wildlife habitat in the Mississippi headwaters as follows:

(1) \$2,177,000 is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements as follows: \$69,000 to the Mississippi Headwaters Board and \$2,108,000 to The Trust for Public Land; and

(2) \$1,518,000 is to the Board of Water and Soil Resources, of which up to \$175,000 is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

A list of proposed acquisitions must be included as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(h) Hennepin County Habitat Conservation Program - Phase II

\$3,155,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements with Hennepin County, in cooperation with Minnesota Land Trust, to acquire permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance habitats in Hennepin County as follows: \$446,000 to Hennepin County and \$2,709,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$264,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed permanent conservation easements, restorations, and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(i) Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish Habitat Enhancement and Restoration - Phase XII

\$1,474,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Trout Unlimited to restore and enhance habitat for trout and other species in and along coldwater rivers, lakes, and streams in Minnesota. A list of proposed land acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(j) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and Enhancement - Phase III

\$3,790,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded streams and aquatic management areas and to facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(k) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase VII

\$2,280,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources to restore priority aquatic and riparian habitats in the St. Louis River estuary. A list of proposed restorations must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(l) Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation - Phase V

\$700,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Zeitgeist, a nonprofit corporation, in cooperation with the Lake Superior Steelhead Association, to restore and enhance trout habitat in the Knife River watershed. A list of proposed enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(m) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat Restoration Program - Phase IX

\$1,918,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Shell Rock River Watershed District to acquire lands in fee and to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the Shell Rock River watershed. A list of proposed acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(n) Rum River Wildlife and Fish Habitat Enhancement Using Bioengineered Bank Stabilization

\$816,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Anoka County Soil and Water Conservation District to restore and enhance riverine habitat in the Rum River using eco-sensitive, habitat-building, and bioengineering approaches. A list of proposed enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(o) Roseau River Habitat Restoration

\$3,036,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Roseau River Watershed District to restore and enhance riverine habitat in the Roseau River and the Roseau River Wildlife Management Area.

(p) Sauk River Watershed Habitat Protection and Restoration - Phase II

\$3,926,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire lands in fee and permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the Sauk River watershed as follows: \$430,000 to the Sauk River Watershed District, \$2,073,000 to Pheasants Forever, and \$1,423,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(q) Southeast Wetland Restoration

\$1,351,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the city of Mankato to acquire land in fee in the city of Mankato for wetland and grassland restoration. A list of acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(r) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase XII

\$10,424,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for a program to provide competitive matching grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional, state, and national organizations for enhancing, restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands, prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least \$3,250,000 is for grants in the seven-county metropolitan area and cities with a population of 50,000 or more. Grants must not be made for activities required to fulfill the duties of owners of lands subject to conservation easements. Grants must not be made from the appropriation in this paragraph for projects that have a total project cost exceeding \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$475,000 may be spent for personnel costs and other direct and necessary administrative costs. Grantees may acquire land or interests in land. Easements must be permanent. Grants may not be used to establish easement stewardship accounts. Land acquired in fee

must be open to hunting and fishing during the open season unless otherwise provided by law. The program must require a match of at least ten percent from nonstate sources for all grants. The match may be cash or in-kind resources. For grant applications of \$25,000 or less, the commissioner must provide a separate, simplified application process. Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of natural resources must, when evaluating projects of equal value, give priority to organizations that have a history of receiving, or a charter to receive, private contributions for local conservation or habitat projects. For grant requests to acquire land in fee or a conservation easement, the commissioner must give priority to projects associated with or within one mile of existing wildlife management areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes, sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or aquatic management areas under Minnesota Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02. All restoration or enhancement projects must be on land permanently protected by a permanent covenant ensuring perpetual maintenance and protection of restored and enhanced habitat, by a conservation easement or public ownership or in public waters as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15. Priority must be given to restoration and enhancement projects on public lands. Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded under this paragraph. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2023. No less than five percent of the amount of each grant must be held back from reimbursement until the grant recipient has completed a grant accomplishment report by the deadline and in the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The commissioner must provide notice of the grant program in the summary of game and fish law prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.051, subdivision 2.

Subd. 6. **Administration**

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360,000

(a) Contract Management

\$210,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for contract management duties assigned in this section. The commissioner must provide an accomplishment plan in the form specified

by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council on expending this appropriation. The accomplishment plan must include a copy of the grant contract template and reimbursement manual. No money may be expended before the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council approves the accomplishment plan.

(b) Technical Evaluation Panel

\$150,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for a technical evaluation panel to conduct up to 25 restoration and enhancement evaluations under Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10.

Subd. 7. Availability of Appropriation

Money appropriated in this section may not be spent on activities unless they are directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation and are specified in the accomplishment plan approved by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. Money appropriated in this section must not be spent on indirect costs or other institutional overhead charges that are not directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Unless otherwise provided, the amounts in this section are available until June 30, 2023. For acquisition of real property, the amounts in this section are available until June 30, 2024, if a binding agreement with a landowner or purchase agreement is entered into by June 30, 2023, and closed no later than June 30, 2024. Funds for restoration or enhancement are available until June 30, 2025, or five years after acquisition, whichever is later, in order to complete initial restoration or enhancement work. If a project receives at least 15 percent of its funding from federal funds, the time of the appropriation may be extended to equal the availability of federal funding to a maximum of six years if the federal funding was confirmed and included in the original approved draft accomplishment plan. Funds appropriated for fee title acquisition of land may be used to restore, enhance, and provide for public use of the land acquired with the appropriation. Public-use facilities must have a minimal impact on habitat in acquired lands.

Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital Equipment Expenditures

All agreements referred to in this section must be administered on a reimbursement basis unless otherwise provided in this section. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each appropriation's purpose made on or after July 1, 2020, or the date of accomplishment plan approval, whichever is later, are eligible for reimbursement unless otherwise provided in this section. For the purposes of administering appropriations and legislatively authorized agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage fund, an expense must be considered reimbursable by the administering agency when the recipient presents the agency with an invoice, or a binding agreement with the landowner, and the recipient attests that the goods have been received or the landowner agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement must be made upon receiving documentation that the items articulated in the accomplishment plan approved by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have been achieved, including partial achievements as evidenced by progress reports approved by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. Reasonable amounts may be advanced to projects to accommodate cash flow needs, support future management of acquired lands, or match a federal share. The advances must be approved as part of the accomplishment plan. Capital equipment expenditures for specific items over \$10,000 must be itemized in and approved as part of the accomplishment plan.

Subd. 9. Mapping

Each direct recipient of money appropriated in this section, as well as each recipient of a grant awarded according to this section, must provide geographic information to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council for mapping any lands acquired in fee with funds appropriated in this section and open to public taking of fish and game. The commissioner of natural resources must include the lands acquired in fee with money appropriated in this section on maps showing public recreational opportunities. Maps must include information on and acknowledgment of the outdoor heritage fund, including a notation of any restrictions.

Subd. 10. Carryforwards

(a) The availability of the appropriation in Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, paragraph (j), Roseau Lake Rehabilitation, is extended to June 30, 2022.

(b) The availability of the appropriation in Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, paragraph (f), Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection - Phase VI, is extended to June 30, 2022.

Subd. 11. Cancellations

(a) The unspent portion of the appropriation in Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2, subdivision 3, paragraph (g), estimated to be \$4,582,000, is canceled.

(b) The appropriation in Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, paragraph (l), is canceled.

Subd. 12. Extension of Certain Appropriations

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, or any other law to the contrary, the availability of any appropriation or grant of money from the outdoor heritage fund that would otherwise cancel, lapse, or expire on June 30, 2020, is extended to June 30, 2021, if the recipient or grantee does both of the following:

(1) by June 30, 2020, notifies the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council in the manner specified by the council that the recipient or grantee intends to avail itself of the extension available under this subdivision; and

(2) modifies the applicable accomplishment plan in accordance with the council's accomplishment plan modification procedures.

(b) The council must notify the commissioner of management and budget and the commissioner of natural resources of any extension granted under this subdivision.

Subd. 13. Extension of RIM Wetlands Partnership - Phase VII

The availability of the appropriation in Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (c), RIM Wetlands Partnership - Phase VII, is extended to June 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE DATE. Subdivisions 10, 11, and 12 are effective the day following final enactment. Subdivision 13 is effective retroactively from June 30, 2019.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 97A.056, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Open meetings.** (a) Meetings of the council and other groups the council may establish are subject to chapter 13D. Except where prohibited by law, the council shall establish additional processes to broaden public involvement in all aspects of its deliberations, including recording meetings, video conferencing, and publishing minutes. For the purposes of this subdivision, a meeting occurs when a quorum is present and the members receive information or take action on any matter relating to the duties of the council. The quorum requirement for the council shall be seven members.

(b) Travel to and from scheduled and publicly noticed site visits by council members for the purposes of receiving information is not a violation of paragraph (a). Any decision or agreement to make a decision during the travel is a violation of paragraph (a).

(c) For legislative members of the council, enforcement of this subdivision is governed by section 3.055, subdivision 2. For nonlegislative members of the council, enforcement of this subdivision is governed by section 13D.06, subdivisions 1 and 2.

(d) Unless held at a location outside the Capitol complex, meetings of the council must be made available on a website for live video streaming and be archived on a website for playback at a later time. For meetings of the council held at a location outside the Capitol complex, the council must make meetings available via live video stream and archive the video to the extent practicable.

Sec. 4. Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Forests	16,824,000	-0-
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(a) Carnelian Creek Conservation Corridor

\$2,458,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements in Washington County. Of this amount, up to ~~\$30,000~~ \$120,000 is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2022.

(b) Laurentian Forest - St. Louis County Habitat Project

\$2,400,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements with the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association in cooperation with The Conservation Fund and St. Louis County to acquire land in fee to be transferred to St. Louis County for wildlife habitat purposes. The amount is for agreements as follows: \$2,292,000 to the Minnesota Deer Hunter Association and \$108,000 to The Conservation Fund. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(c) Southeast Minnesota Protection and Restoration - Phase V

\$2,375,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources to acquire land in fee for wildlife management purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8; to acquire land in fee for scientific and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; to acquire land in fee for state forest purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 7; to acquire permanent conservation easements; and to restore and enhance prairie, grassland, forest, and savanna. The amount is for agreements as follows: \$1,000,000 to The Nature Conservancy, \$675,000 to The Trust for Public Land, and \$700,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$80,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. No later than 180 days after the The Nature Conservancy's fiscal year ends, The Nature Conservancy must submit to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council annual income statements and balance sheets for income and expenses from land acquired in fee with this appropriation and not transferred to the state or a local governmental unit. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(d) Minnesota Forests for the Future - Phase V

\$2,291,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources to acquire easements for forest, wetland, and shoreline habitat through working forest permanent conservation easements under the

Minnesota forests for the future program pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 84.66. A conservation easement acquired with money appropriated under this paragraph must comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 13. The accomplishment plan must include an easement monitoring and enforcement plan. Of this amount, up to \$72,000 is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the final report.

(e) State Forest Acquisitions - Phase IV

\$1,000,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources to acquire lands in fee for wildlife habitat purposes in the Richard J. Dorer Memorial Hardwood State Forest under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 7. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(f) Critical Shoreland Protection Program - Phase IV

\$1,700,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements along rivers and lakes in the northern forest region. Of this amount, up to \$120,000 is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(g) Bushmen Lake

\$4,600,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with The Conservation Fund in cooperation with the United States Forest Service to acquire lands in fee adjacent to Bushmen Lake in St. Louis County to be managed for wildlife habitat purposes. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 5. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Habitats** 50,119,000 -0-

(a) St. Croix Watershed Habitat Protection and Restoration - Phase I

\$3,751,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements as follows:

(1) \$2,209,000 to The Trust for Public Land to acquire land in fee and to acquire permanent conservation stream easements in the St. Croix River watershed using the payment method prescribed in Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0272, subdivision 2; Of this amount, up to \$20,000 is to the commissioner of natural resources to deposit in the natural resources conservation easement stewardship account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.69, as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17;

(2) \$1,377,000 to Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance natural habitat systems in the St. Croix River watershed. Of this amount, up to \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17; and

(3) \$165,000 to the St. Croix River Association to coordinate and administer the program under this paragraph.

A list of proposed land acquisitions and permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(b) Metro Big Rivers - Phase IX

\$4,163,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire lands in fee and permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance natural habitat systems associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota, and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in the metropolitan area. Of this amount, \$820,000 is to Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge Trust Inc., \$532,000 is to Friends of

the Mississippi River, \$1,061,000 is to Great River Greening, and \$1,750,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$144,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed land acquisitions and permanent conservation easements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(c) Dakota County Habitat Protection/Restoration - Phase VII

\$3,516,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Dakota County to acquire permanent conservation easements and land in fee and to restore and enhance riparian and other habitats in Dakota County. A list of proposed land acquisitions and restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(d) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic North Central Minnesota Lakes - Phase V

\$3,365,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire lands in fee and permanent conservation easements and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard Counties. Of this amount, \$841,000 is to Northern Waters Land Trust and \$2,524,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$192,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(e) Sauk River Watershed Habitat Protection and Restoration

\$2,946,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for agreements to acquire lands in fee and permanent conservation easements and restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the Sauk River watershed as follows: \$440,000 to Sauk River

Watershed District, \$590,000 to Pheasants Forever, and \$1,916,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$192,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(f) Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish Habitat Enhancement and Restoration - Phase XI

\$2,359,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Trout Unlimited to acquire permanent conservation stream easements using the payment method prescribed in Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0272, subdivision 2, and to restore and enhance habitat for trout and other species in and along coldwater rivers, lakes, and streams in Minnesota. Up to \$40,000 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement fund as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed land acquisitions and restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(g) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and Enhancement - Phase II

\$3,208,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded streams and aquatic management areas and to facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(h) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase VI

\$3,777,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources to restore aquatic and riparian habitats in the St. Louis River estuary. Of this appropriation, up to \$2,182,000 is for an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. A list of proposed restorations must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(i) Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation - Phase IV

\$891,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Zeitgeist, in cooperation with the Lake Superior Steelhead Association, to restore and enhance trout habitat in the Knife River watershed. A list of proposed enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(j) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat Restoration Program - Phase VIII

\$2,046,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Shell Rock River Watershed District to acquire lands in fee and to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the Shell Rock River watershed. A list of proposed acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(k) Pine River Fish Passage Project

\$1,246,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Crow Wing Soil and Water Conservation District to restore and enhance riverine habitat in the Pine River and provide fish passage by removing dams and modifying and installing structures.

(l) Sauk River Dam Fish Passage

\$737,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Stearns County Soil and Water Conservation District to restore and enhance riverine habitat in the Sauk River and provide fish passage by removing the dam and modifying and installing structures at the Melrose dam site.

(m) Restoring Norway Brook Connectivity to the Pine River

\$2,267,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the city of Pine River to restore and enhance riverine habitat in the Pine River and provide fish passage by removing the dam and modifying and installing structures at the Norway Lake dam site.

(n) Pig's Eye Lake Islands Habitat Restoration and Enhancement

\$4,337,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Ramsey County to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in Pig's Eye Lake, to include constructing islands.

(o) Restoring Upper Mississippi River at Lake Pepin

\$750,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Lake Pepin Legacy Alliance to restore and enhance wildlife habitat on public lands in Lake Pepin and the adjacent floodplain. A list of proposed restorations and enhancements must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

(p) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase XI

\$10,760,000 the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for a program to provide competitive matching grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional, state, and national organizations for enhancing, restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands, prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least \$3,000,000 is for grants in the seven-county metropolitan area and cities with a population of 50,000 or greater. Grants must not be made for activities required to fulfill the duties of owners of lands subject to conservation easements. Grants must not be made from the appropriation in this paragraph for projects that have a total project cost exceeding \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$445,000 may be spent for personnel costs and other direct and necessary administrative costs. Grantees may acquire land or interests in land. Easements must be permanent. Grants may not be used to establish easement stewardship accounts. Land acquired in fee must be open to hunting and fishing during the open season unless otherwise provided by law. The program must require a match of at least ten percent from nonstate sources for all grants. The match may be cash or in-kind resources. For grant applications of \$25,000 or less, the commissioner must provide a separate, simplified application process. Subject to Minnesota statutes, the commissioner of natural resources must,

when evaluating projects of equal value, give priority to organizations that have a history of receiving, or a charter to receive, private contributions for local conservation or habitat projects. If acquiring land in fee or a conservation easement, priority must be given to projects associated with or within one mile of existing wildlife management areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes, sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or aquatic management areas under Minnesota Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02. All restoration or enhancement projects must be on land permanently protected by a permanent covenant ensuring perpetual maintenance and protection of restored and enhanced habitat, by a conservation easement or public ownership or in public waters as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15. Priority must be given to restoration and enhancement projects on public lands. Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded under this paragraph. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2023. No less than five percent of the amount of each grant must be held back from reimbursement until the grant recipient has completed a grant accomplishment report by the deadline and in the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The commissioner must provide notice of the grant program in the summary of game and fish law prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.051, subdivision 2.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

ARTICLE 2

OTHER FUNDS

Section 1. Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 4, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Availability of Appropriation**

Money appropriated in this article may not be spent on activities unless they are directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Money appropriated in this article must not be spent on institutional overhead charges that are not directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Money appropriated in this article must be spent in

accordance with the Minnesota Management and Budget's Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditures. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this article, fiscal year 2018 appropriations are available until June 30, 2019, and fiscal year 2019 appropriations are available until June 30, ~~2020~~ 2022. If a project receives federal funds, the period of the appropriation is extended to equal the availability of federal funding.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 4, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation

Money appropriated in this article may not be spent on activities unless they are directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Money appropriated in this article must not be spent on institutional overhead charges that are not directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Money appropriated in this article must be spent in accordance with the Minnesota Management and Budget's Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditures. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, or any other law to the contrary, the availability of any appropriation or grant of money from the arts and cultural heritage fund that would otherwise cancel, lapse, or expire on June 30, 2020, is extended to June 30, 2022. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this article, fiscal year 2020 appropriations are available until June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022, and fiscal year 2021 appropriations are available until June 30, 2022. If a project receives federal funds, the period of the appropriation is extended to equal the availability of federal funding. To the extent permitted under article XI, section 15, of the Minnesota Constitution, money appropriated under this article may be used to assist grantees to maintain their financial sustainability and long-term viability during any peacetime emergency declared by the governor in an executive order that relates to the infectious disease known as COVID-19 and the period following that peacetime emergency.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 4, section 2, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. Minnesota Humanities Center	3,150,000	3,250,000
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(a) These amounts are appropriated to the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Humanities Center for the purposes specified in this subdivision. The Minnesota Humanities Center may use up to 4.5 percent of the following grants to cover the cost of administering, planning, evaluating, and reporting these grants. The Minnesota Humanities Center must develop a written plan to issue the grants in this subdivision and must submit the plan for review and approval by the Department of Administration. The written plan must require the Minnesota Humanities Center to create and adhere to grant policies that are similar to those established according to Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.97, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (1).

No grants awarded in this subdivision may be used for travel outside the state of Minnesota. The grant agreement must specify the repercussions for failing to comply with the grant agreement.

(b) Programs and Purposes

\$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,100,000 the second year are for programs and purposes of the Minnesota Humanities Center.

(c) Children's Museum Grants

\$1,200,000 each year is for arts and cultural heritage grants to children's museums for arts and cultural exhibits and related educational outreach programs. Of this amount:

(1) \$525,000 each the first year is and \$375,000 the second year are for the Minnesota Children's Museum for interactive exhibits and outreach programs on arts and cultural heritage, including, during the first year only, the Minnesota Children's Museum in Rochester;

(2) \$150,000 the second year is for the Children's Museum of Rochester for interactive exhibits and outreach programs on arts and cultural heritage;

(3) \$50,000 each year is to develop and fabricate a permanent STEM exhibit for the Minnesota Children's Museum of Rochester, which must be under a separate

grant agreement from the grant agreement used to provide funding to the Minnesota Children's Museum; and

~~(3)~~ (4) \$625,000 each year is for grants to other children's museums to pay for start-up costs or new exhibit and program development.

Funds are to be distributed through a competitive grant process. The Minnesota Humanities Center must administer these funds using established grant mechanisms.

(d) Community Identity and Heritage Grant Program

\$850,000 the first year and \$850,000 the second year are for a competitive grants program to provide grants to preserve and promote the cultural heritage of Minnesota.

The Minnesota Humanities Center must operate a competitive grants program to provide grants to programs that preserve and honor the cultural heritage of Minnesota or that provide education and student outreach on cultural diversity or to programs that empower communities to build their identity and culture. Priority must be given to grants for individuals and organizations working to create, celebrate, and teach indigenous arts and cultural activities and arts organizations and programs preserving, sharing, and educating on the arts and cultural heritage of immigrant communities in Minnesota.

(1) Of this amount, \$250,000 the first year is for a grant to one or more community organizations that provide arts and cultural heritage programming celebrating Hmong heritage.

(2) Of this amount, \$250,000 the first year is for a grant to one or more community organizations that provide arts and cultural heritage programming celebrating Somali heritage.

(e) Civics Programs

\$100,000 each year is for grants to the Minnesota Civic Education Coalition: Minnesota Civic Youth, the Learning Law and Democracy Foundation, and YMCA Youth in Government to conduct civics education programs for the civic and cultural development of

Minnesota youth. Civics education is the study of constitutional principles and the democratic foundation of our national, state, and local institutions and the study of political processes and structures of government, grounded in the understanding of constitutional government under the rule of law.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 4. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 10, article 1, section 24, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Operations and Services	1,302,000	602,000
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\$700,000 in the first year is for moving and relocation expenses for the board. Moving and relocation expenses are limited to the design and construction of new leased office space; moving, installing and reconfiguring information technology systems and audio visual equipment; purchasing and installing work stations; and professional moving services necessary to complete the relocation. The board may use no more than \$5,000 for other miscellaneous services, provided that the services must be directly related to the office relocation. On June 30, ~~2020~~ 2021, any unexpended amounts appropriated for moving and relocation expenses cancel to the general fund.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 5. **EXTENSION OF AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS; OTHER LEGACY FUNDS.**

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, or any other law to the contrary, the availability of any appropriation or grant of money from the clean water fund or the parks and trails fund that would otherwise cancel, lapse, or expire on June 30, 2020, is extended to June 30, 2021.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 6. **APPROPRIATION; MINNESOTA MEDAL OF HONOR COMMEMORATIVE MEMORIAL.**

\$250,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the arts and cultural heritage fund to the commissioner of administration to be transferred to the Medal of Honor account to complete design and construction of a memorial in the Capitol Area to honor all Minnesota Medal of Honor recipients. This appropriation is a replacement for the appropriation in Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, paragraph (p), that canceled at the close of fiscal year 2019.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 18, 2020

Signed by the governor May 27, 2020, 11:17 a.m.