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2.1 WHEREAS, the Blue Ribbon Commission has recommended an integrated nuclear fuel
2.2 management program incorporating: (1) development of one or more Nuclear Regulatory
2.3 Commission-licensed (NRC) private or government-owned centralized interim storage facilities
2.4 in communities in states that would willingly host such facilities; (2) continued public
2.5 and private sector research, development, and deployment of used fuel and nuclear waste
2.6 recycling technologies to close the nuclear fuel cycle in a safe, environmentally responsible,
2.7 proliferation-resistant, and economically viable process; and (3) assured access by the nuclear
2.8 waste program to revenues generated by consumers' continued payments and to existing balances
2.9 in the Nuclear Waste Fund; NOW, THEREFORE,

2.10 BE IT RESOLVED by the legislature of the State of Minnesota that it calls on the President
2.11 Obama Administration and the United States Congress to:

2.12 (1) adopt legislation enabling the construction of one or more centralized interim fuel
2.13 storage facilities through directives to the United States Department of Energy and through
2.14 incentives to interested communities funded through access to the accumulated Nuclear Waste
2.15 Fund;

2.16 (2) recognize there are willing host communities and states that are ready to voluntarily
2.17 accept used fuel;

2.18 (3) assure access by the Nuclear Waste Management program to the revenues generated by
2.19 consumers' continuing fee payments and to the significant balance in the Nuclear Waste Fund; and

2.20 (4) enable one or more NRC-licensed private interim storage facilities to meet this public
2.21 policy need of the United States.

2.22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of Minnesota is directed to
2.23 prepare copies of this memorial and transmit them to the President of the United States, the
2.24 Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States
2.25 Senate, and the Secretary of the United States Department of Energy.