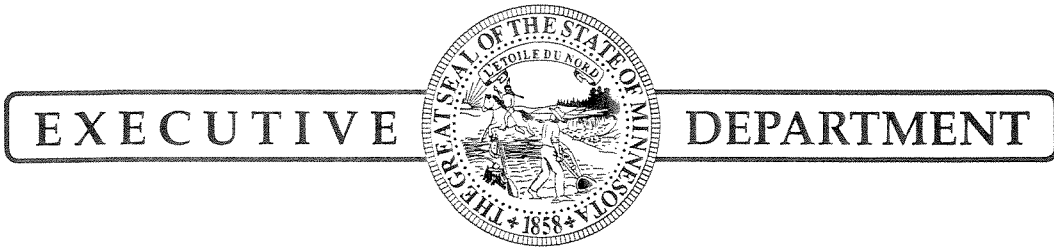


STATE of MINNESOTA



TIM PAWLENTY
GOVERNOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

STEVE SVIGGUM

42490 - 60th Avenue
Kenyon, Minnesota 55946
County of Goodhue
Congressional District Two

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President of the Senate

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the said office of:

COMMISSIONER

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Effective: July 17, 2007
Term Expires: January 3, 2011

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the Capitol in the City of Saint Paul, June 26, 2007.



Governor



Secretary of State

Replacing: Scott Brener

Steve Sviggum

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PROFESSIONAL AND POLITICAL EXPERIENCE:

Minnesota House of Representatives

Speaker of the House

1999 to 2007

- Leader of the House Republican Caucus for the past seven years.
- Successfully promoted tax reductions for working families.
- Championed funding increases for nursing home services, programs for the developmentally disabled and treatment for the mentally ill.
- Sponsored initiatives generating job creation opportunities.
- Recognized for creating a family-friendly public service environment.

Minority Leader

1993 - 1998

- Guided Republican Caucus to a 13-seat gain in the 1994 elections.
- Gained majority status for the first time in 12 years with an eight-seat expansion in 1998.

Chair, Unemployment Insurance, and Workers' Compensation Division of Labor Management Relations Committee

1985-1986

- Chaired a 12-member committee relating to

Legislator

1978 to present

- Elected in 1978 and re-elected in 1980, 1982, 1984, 1986, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2004, and 2006.

Served 15 terms representing the Minnesota communities of Altura, Elba, Goodview, Hammond, Kellogg, Kenyon, Lewiston Mazeppa, Millville, Minneiska, Minnesota City, Pine Island, Rollingstone, St. Charles, Stockton, Utica, Wanamingo, Zumbro Falls and Zumbrota.

LEGISLATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Recognized by many business organizations, advocacy groups for the mentally disabled and taxpayer watchdog groups.
- Honored as "Legislator of the Year" by the National Retail Merchants Association (1996) and by Common Cause Minnesota (1997).

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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

- Target Bank Board of Directors
- American Red Cross Board of Directors
- Salvation Army Kroc Center Board of Directors
- Goodhue County Historical Society Board of Directors
- Riverview Manor Board of Directors
- Member, Kenyon Ambulance Support Committee
- Member, Kenyon Lions Club
- Member, Kenyon Sportsmen's Club
- Volunteer Youth Coach
- Sunday School Teacher, Vang Church, Dennison
- Math Tutor, St. Paul Youth

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

West Concord High School
Mathematics Teacher
1977 to 1979

Football Coach
1977-1979

Bellgrade High School
Mathematics Teacher
1973 - 1976

Football and Basketball Coach
1973 - 1976

Farmer
Farm acres with brothers in Kenyon, Minnesota.
Raise beef cattle.

PERSONAL:

- Married to Debra, three children: Hans, Erik and Marit
- Part-time referee

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BIOGRAPHY OF HOUSE SPEAKER STEVE SVIGGUM

Steve Sviggum was elected Speaker of the House in 1998, when Republicans took control of the House of Representatives for the first time in more than a decade. Having first been elected to the House in 1978, he was elected House Republican Leader in 1993.

During his time as Speaker, the House changed the agenda in St. Paul, pushing through a major reduction in income taxes, landmark property tax reform that returned power to communities, three consecutive years of tax rebates, significant education reforms, and holding increases in state spending to the lowest levels in decades.

As a legislator, Sviggum has been honored for his work on rural development and value-added agriculture, reducing the tax burden on working families, protecting the quality of Minnesota's hospitals and nursing homes, and advocating for the mentally and developmentally disabled.

During his political career Mr. Sviggum is a perfect "22-0" in elections. Having won 15 times in his local district and running for Minority Leader three times (1992, 1994, 1996) and Speaker of the House four times (1999, 2001, 2003, 2005) Sviggum has been successful at all challenges. His favorite line is one that humbly and realistically states – "In our lives friends come and go – as Speaker of the House enemies accumulates!"

The Speaker had served as a Sunday school Superintendent and teacher, as a board member of River View Manor, a developmentally disabled group home, as a board member of the Goodhue County Historical Society and as a board member of the Kenyon Sunset Home (nursing home) and as a Board member of the Northern Chapter of the American Red Cross.

His political philosophy revolves around one word: Balance.

Speaker Sviggum is a graduate of St. Olaf College and represents District 28B in southeastern Minnesota, a district that includes Altura, Elba, Goodview, Hammond, Kellogg, Kenyon, Lewiston, Mazeppa, Millville, Minneiska, Minnesota City, Pine Island, Rollingstone, St. Charles, Stockton, Utica, Wanamingo, Zumbro Falls and Zumbrota. The Speaker and his family are beef and grain farmers. He is also a former high school math teacher and a part-time basketball referee.

Steve and his wife, Debbie, have three children: Hans who is attending Mayo Medical School, Erik, who attends Creighton University Medical School and Marit, who recently graduated from Gustavus-Adolphus and is enrolled in the pharmacy program at the University of Minnesota. As the Speaker likes to say, "Being called the second most powerful man in Minnesota doesn't mean much when you're fifth most powerful in your home."

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