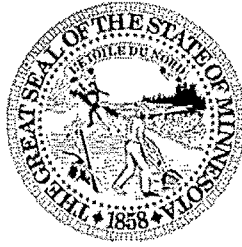


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**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

**Amy Aho**

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

**Teacher in Related Services Category**  
**Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board**

Effective: January 17, 2024

Expires: January 3, 2028

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it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed January 12, 2024.



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**Tim Walz**  
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**Steve Simon**  
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Reappointment

**Part I: Position Sought**

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**Agency Name:** Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board

**Position:** Teacher

**Part II: Applicant Information**

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**Name:** Ms. Amy M Aho

**Phone:** (218) 838-8251

**County:** Crow Wing

**Recommended by the Appointing Authority:** False

**Mn House District:** 10A

**US House District:** 8

**Part III: Appending Documentation**

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**Cover Letter and Resume**

Type	File Type
Cover Letter	application/pdf
Resume	application/pdf

**Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)**

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**Part IV: Signature**

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