The DFL supports new groundwater laws, regional management, and state oversight of aquifers to assure that conservation measures are followed, protection of surface waters, and ensuring future demand does not exceed the aquifer's capacity for recharge.

The DFL supports protecting the health of Minnesota private well owners from the hazards of contaminated water by providing free water testing, safe alternative sources of drinking water and water treatment systems for impacted wells.

The DFL supports Minnesota communities in developing "source-separated organics" (SSO) waste programs to allow diversion of organic wastes from landfills toward productive uses and to conserve landfill space.

The DFL supports the North Star Act for passage in the current legislative session for welcoming immigrants applying for asylum in the United States and prohibiting federal immigration officers from enforcing detention.

The DFL supports passage of the Minnesota End-of-Life Option Act, affirming that terminally-ill, mentally capable adults should have the freedom to request, obtain, and self-administer medication to bring about a peaceful death.

The DFL condemns antisemitism in all of its forms, including the targeting of jews and is committed to combating anti-Jewish bias in all of its manifestations.

The DFL supports critically needed investments in housing infrastructure and ensures that all forms of public financing include high-road labor standards, greater levels of transparency, and project

8 owner accountability.

The DFL supports passage by the Minnesota legislature of the Utility Accountability bill to ensure utility customers are not paying costs associated with utility executive compensation or political influence activities, including lobbying, membership in industry trade associations that advocate for utility interests and marketing initiatives/event sponsorships.

The DFL supports enactment of Extended Producer Responsibility for plastic packaging, requiring producers to collect plastic packaging they generate, reduce plastic packaging, and prohibiting all

10 toxic substances in plastic packaging.

The DFL supports creating a Consumer Fraud Restitution Fund to compensate victims with penalty money collected from fraudsters the Attorney General has sued.

The DFL will fight to reduce state-mandated class sizes by adding school buildings where necessary and providing additional funding.

16 The DFL supports the reduction of Federal direct student loan interest rates.

The DFL supports legislation to create Energy Savings for All programs that finance home efficiency upgrades from future savings.

The DFL supports re-establishing the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Citizens' Board to ensure Minnesotans are represented in major environmental decision-making.

The DFL opposes efforts to circumvent or weaken state or federal environmental laws or protections involving administrative procedures and permitting.

The DFL supports increasing the State Elections Campaign Fund check-off amount on the Minnesota State Income Tax and Property Tax forms from \$5 to \$10 per individual.

The Minnesota legislature should place a constitutional amendment on the 2024 ballot, creating a nonpartisan redistricting commission that shall, without bias, draw legislative and congressional districts following the decennial census by making districts compact and contiguous, reducing the

22 possibility of gerrymandering.

The DFL prioritizes and commits necessary resources for a campaign to promote legislation for a patient-centered healthcare system by enacting the Minnesota Health Plan (Marty) at the state level and supporting the Medicare for All Act of 2023 (Jayapal) at the National level.

The DFL supports Medicare for all/single-payer Healthcare for every Minnesotan from "cradle to grave," including vision and dental.

The DFL supports expanding MinnesotaCare, removing HMO management, moving to direct contracting, removing income eligibility caps, and allowing individuals and small businesses to purchase MNCare for themselves and their employees.

The DFL supports the establishment of a Commission for Equitable Health Care to evaluate how Minnesota's healthcare industry is organized, financed, and operates, and how that impacts people's access to care, its cost, and quality; and empowerment of the Commission to ensure all Minnesotans can access quality life-sustaining care in an equitable and timely manner, regardless of residence or

26 coverage.

The DFL supports the enactment of a MinnesotaCare public option that expands coverage to those not currently eligible, offers premiums based on a sliding income scale, offers comprehensive coverage, including vision and dental care, and has broad network coverage, especially in rural

29 areas.

The DFL supports legislation that prevents the further corporatization of healthcare by holding nonprofit healthcare organizations accountable to their mission, tax-exempt status, and defined legislative purpose of providing a community benefit to the public.

The DFL supports safe staffing legislation that sets a maximum number of patients a registered nurse can take care of at one time and provides mental health and professional development

32 resources that will keep Minnesota nurses working at the bedside.

The DFL supports funding our child care system so that no family pays more than 7% of their annual income, children have access to high-quality child care, and childcare providers have the resources

33 to provide quality conditions and a living wage.

The DFL supports reduction of lead exposure in people and animals by prohibiting the use of lead ammunition and fishing tackle.

The DFL supports a ban on sulfide-ore copper mining on lands in the watershed of the Boundary Waters.

The DFL urges the Minnesota Legislature to adopt 100% collections legislation, providing free electronic waste collection for all Minnesotans, conserving precious metals, and reducing electronic

41 waste and pollution.

The DFL supports the Minnesota Legislature holding hearings on the proposed Prove It First legislation and supports the Governor withholding all permits for copper-nickel sulfide mines in Minnesota until it is proven that such mines can be operated safely in our water-rich environment

42 and not violate state, federal, and tribal water quality standards.

The DFL supports accelerated action to protect, restore, and improve management of forests,

43 prairie, and wetlands to fight climate change and preserve natural places for people and wildlife.

The State of Minnesota should establish a Silver Alert System to let communities know that a citizen with dementia or other mental disabilities has wandered away from their residence, asking that neighbors keep an eye out for them and contact law enforcement if

44 sighted.

Minnesota should establish a Child Elopement Alert to notify neighbors when a child with special needs elopes, encouraging those available to look out for the child, exit their

45 homes, guard pools, and monitor high-traffic areas.

The DFL supports eliminating the sale and possession of AR-15 automatic weapons and banning long-barrel weapons of any caliber and shotguns that can hold more than five

47 rounds of ammunition and any modifications that increase the rate or capacity of fire.

The legislature should examine the problem of doxxing and determine whether or not, in extreme cases, criminal penalties should be applied.

The DFL supports the protection of all reproductive freedom from a reproductive justice framework; this includes the right to decide whether and when to grow our families, the right to safe and accessible means of birth control and abortion, as well as the right to have children and raise them in healthy and safe communities.

The DFL should add the following language to the Minnesota DFL Action Agenda: The Minnesota **50** DFL supports the Gender-Affirming Rights Act.

The DFL supports eliminating racial disparities in child welfare/protection as part of the party platform by 2025 by supporting initiatives and legislation, including, but not limited to, an African American Family Preservation and Child Welfare Disparities Act, to stop the arbitrary removal of children of color and hold state leadership accountable to this rule.

The DFL and its endorsed candidates stand against Islamophobia/religious discrimination and ensure the protection of the rights of its constituents.

The DFL opposes any tax cut benefitting primarily the wealthiest Minnesotans or substantially impeding the state's ability to fund public goods and services and supports policies that protect and expand revenues available for public investment.

The DFL supports sustainable transportation in all areas of the state, including safe pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, mass transit improvements, streetcars, commuter rail, light rail, buses, air travel emissions reduction, and electric vehicle charging stations.

The DFL recognizes that public transit is a necessary service that not only allows low-income individuals to engage in public life and commerce but also reduces the use of fossil fuels; it will strive to build on the current free fares pilot program to make all transit-free and will work in the interim to make transit free for all low-income and unhoused individuals.

School districts will plan to replace diesel-fueled school buses by seeking funds from grants, urging district transportation providers to replace diesel buses with electric buses, and supporting the construction of electric vehicle infrastructure.

The DFL supports the full participation of people with disabilities and linguistic minorities in all aspects of DFL party processes and will commit meaningful financial resources to fund and coordinate access for these communities according to their expressed desires.