

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Executive Department



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Governor Tim Walz

President of the Senate

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Ida Rukavina

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

Commissioner

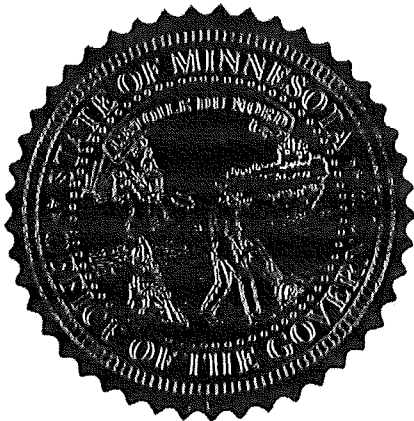
Minnesota Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation

Effective: January 2, 2023

Expires: January 4, 2027

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it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.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 2, 2023.



Handwritten signature of Tim Walz in black ink.

Tim Walz
Governor

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

Steve Simon
Secretary of State

Replacing: Mark Phillips

Filed on January 2, 2023
Office of the Minnesota
Secretary of State,
Steve Simon

Ida Lampi Rukavina
Virginia, MN 55792

Profile: Expertise in community engagement, consensus building, strategic planning, regional economic development, government affairs and media relations. Extensive experience in labor relations, communication, public relations and public policy development including broadband, housing, infrastructure, workforce development and education.

Education

Master's Degree- University of Minnesota Duluth, 2006 - Duluth, MN
Master of Advocacy and Political Leadership (MAPL): Concentration in Labor

Bachelor's of Arts Degree- Clark University, 2000 - Worcester, MA
B.A. in Government- American Politics, Minor in Spanish
Concentration in Race and Ethnic Relations. International Studies Stream.

Mesabi Range Community College, 1996-1997 - Virginia, MN.

Virginia, MN Secondary School, 1996

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Employment

Range Association of Municipalities and Schools (RAMS) President of the Senate
Executive Director, August 2021- Present

- Manage and direct the 24-member elected board of directors and 60 + member unit organization.
- Advocate for and represent the cities, towns and schools within the Taconite Assistance Area, which includes over 60 public sector members as well as private sector corporate members.
- Create and direct legislative and policy goals.
 - Communicate, educate and outreach with membership.
 - Developing positions and communicating those with federal, state and local units of government.
- Direct and oversee legislative initiatives with contracted lobbyist.
- Focus on the RAMS mission of fostering and enhancing economic development.
- Organize regional conferences on a variety of topics including housing, emergency services in rural areas, electric vehicle infrastructure and school trust lands.

Office of United States Senator Amy Klobuchar
Regional Outreach Director, May 2015 – July, 2021

- Community outreach and organizing.
- Tracked legislative, social and political trends in northern Minnesota.

- Researched issues, composed written briefs and memos on various topics and advised the office on public policy positions.

American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Council 65
Staff Representative, February 2005- May 2015

- Negotiated labor contracts; costed out contracts; developed contract language.
- Organized membership both politically and internally.
- Represented the local union and employees in grievance, disciplinary and contract disputes.

Community Involvement

- Volunteer outreach and communications committee member of the Tower City Ski Trails club
- Parent Volunteer co-lead with the Four Corners 4-H Club
- Volunteer with the MN DFL
- Nest Manager and Board member of the Croatian Fraternal Union Lodge 635
- Board member on Jobs For Minnesotans

Past Community Involvement

- Community Impact Board member with the Natural Resources Research Institute (NRRI)
- MN AFL-CIO General Board member
- Northeast Area Labor Council Board member
- Iron Range Labor Assembly delegate and picnic organizer
- Secretary/Treasurer of the MIFSCA union
- Meals on Wheels volunteer
- AAUW member

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