Dear Ruth Richardson and the Education Policy Committee,

My name is Michael May, and I am a senior at Stillwater Area High School. I'm writing today to share my support of House Bill HF 550 on climate justice in Minnesota Schools.

Climate change is an issue that has become more and more prevalent over the years, and countless scientific studies have shown that humans are the primary cause of our warming planet. If it is not taught properly, climate change will only become worse and affect future generations of Minnesotans more and more harshly. This is especially true for people of color, and those who are disabled. I am in support of this Bill because I believe that the teachings that this Bill proposes will give Minnesota students a tremendous amount of useful information about what is happening to our planet, what they can do to help, and also inform them of employment opportunities for the future that could help us switch to a more environmentally friendly state.

Passing this Bill will be a major step in the right direction toward both climate and civil justice in Minnesota, and will greatly benefit the future generations of Minnesotans.

Please consider voting in favor of House Bill HF 550.

Thank you for your time and consideration, Michael May