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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to cultural heritage; appropriating money for a cultural fitness and
1.3 wellness center in the East Phillips Cultural and Community Center.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

1.6 \$900,000 is appropriated from the arts and cultural heritage fund for the fiscal year
1.7 ending June 30, 2010, for a grant to the East Phillips Cultural and Community Center to
1.8 predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip a culturally specific fitness and wellness
1.9 center. The fitness and wellness center will provide a holistic approach to reducing the
1.10 risk of diabetes, asthma, obesity, and heart disease for low-income persons and within
1.11 indigenous American Indian communities and communities of color. It will provide a safe
1.12 place for physical exercise in an area with a high rate of crime. The center will inspire
1.13 youth and adults, from generation to generation, to nurture decisions that result in positive
1.14 and exemplary contributions to Minnesota and to help preserve a cultural connection to an
1.15 historic Dakota trail nearby that linked Fort Snelling and Minnehaha Falls.