

St. Louis, Minn.,
Feb 15, 1921.

To the Board of Pardons of the
State of Minnesota.

Gentlemen:

I beg leave to state I have
been a resident of St. Louis County
for more than fifty-six years, that
I well know Gilbert H. Stephenson
lately sentenced to Stillwater for a
term of not more than five years;
that he is a man of good reputation
and high moral character; that I
know the facts in reference to the
crime for which he was convicted;
that I believe, that, morally, said
Stephenson committed, and intended
to commit no offense, and that
neither the best interest of the
public, nor justice to him would
be subserved by subjecting him
to punishment for the crime
charged.

Wherefore I pray that your
honorable body grant him an
unconditional pardon of said
conviction and sentence. I
believe that I am well enough
informed to say, that this is
the sentiment of ninety-nine
per cent of the people of
St. Louis County.

Respectfully yours,
Edward Swenson.