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HOCKEY

Heavy on the Minnesota accent

This is Our Game, no question. Minnesota's moments of sports glory, while treasured, have been few and far between. The one exception for consistent, historic sports dominance in the state has always been hockey. Especially for the women's game. Being ingrained in the state's culture, Minnesota was in the vanguard of its development, and it has retained a standard of unmatched excellence. Since women first competed at the Olympics in 1998, Minnesota players and coaches have formed the backbone of those teams. When they hit the ice in Beijing, they'll be playing Our Game. For us.