A-5644 Albertville/Frankfort Township
A-5681 Otsego/Frankfort Township
D-311 Otsego/A-5384 Albertville
D-312 Otsego/A-5402 Albertville
D-313 Otsego/A-5410 Albertville
D-329 Otsego/A-5612 Albertville
D-330 Otsego/A-5613 Albertville
D-336 Otsego/A-5673 Albertville
OA-424 & OA-424-1 St. Michael/Frankfort Township
C-27mm Albertville/Otsego

# OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT RESOLUTION )
AND AGREEMENT FOR ORDERLY ANNEXATION )
AND CONCURRENT DETACHMENT AND )

ANNEXATION BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWN )
OF FRANKFORT, THE CITY OF ST. MICHAEL, )
THE CITY OF ALBERTVILLE, AND THE CITY OF )
OTSEGO.

The first of the docketed files referenced above was filed with the Minnesota Municipal Board in 1994. Since then, ten proceedings by property owners, the Cities of Albertville, Otsego and St. Michael, and the Town of Frankfort are pending before the Board. The majority of these files are contested matters.

As this regional dispute evolved, the Municipal Board has continued hearings, consolidated proceedings, and required meetings in an effort to allow the parties opportunity to resolve their border disputes locally. At the same time, however, the Municipal Board procedures provided a

necessary structure and timeline for these discussions.

On July 11, 1996, the Municipal Board received a Joint Resolution from the four communities of Albertville, Otsego, St. Michael and Frankfort. On July 25, 1996, the Municipal Board received an amendment to the Joint Resolution to more particularly describe the property identified in the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution sets out a number of terms and conditions between and among the communities involved resolving contested boundary issues and is designed to dispose of the petitions currently pending before the Municipal Board.

It is apparent that the parties have labored hard to achieve this measure of consensus regarding their mutual border disputes. Such an agreement will certainly advance the public interest in stabilizing these communities to facilitate the planning and management of growth in this area.

The Municipal Board hereby accepts the Joint Resolution and amendment thereto and issues the attached orders to implement this settlement. The parties have agreed that these orders shall include a provision requiring them to fulfill the terms of the Joint Resolution. To the extent that the Board has the authority to so order, it shall be so ordered with the understanding that the constitutional rights of any person or entity shall not be affected.

#### **Contested Annexations**

A-5644 Albertville and A-5681 Otsego Dismisses Albertville's and Otsego's petitions for annexation of certain lands in Frankfort Township.

## **Concurrent Detachment and Annexations**

D-337 Otsego/A-5692 Albertville

Approves the Joint Resolution by both cities for concurrent detachment and annexation and disposes of the following files which were initiated by all of the property owners for substantially the same property:

D-311 Otsego/A-5384 Albertville D-312 Otsego/A-5402 Albertville D-313 Otsego/A-5410 Albertville D-329 Otsego/A-5612 Albertville D-330 Otsego/A-5613 Albertville D-336 Otsego/A-5673 Albertville

## **Orderly Annexations**

OA-424 & OA-424-1 St. Michael/ Frankfort Township OA-432 & OA 432-1 Otsego/ Frankfort Township OA-433 & OA-433-1 Albertville/ Frankfort Township

Approves the orderly annexation as amended.

Approves the orderly annexation.

Approves the orderly annexation.

#### **Consolidation**

C-27mm Albertville/Otsego

Rescinds the Board's Motion to Initiate.

In accepting the Joint Resolution, the Municipal Board congratulates the parties on their work and reminds them that continued success and cooperation among the parties will depend upon the faithful adherence to the provisions of the Joint Resolution to which they have agreed.

The Board commends the participants and the respective governing bodies for their hard work on this agreement.

The citizens of your area will benefit from your cooperation and foresight and the citizens of other communities will benefit from your example. Congratulations!