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March 19, 2008

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Office of Administrative Hearings Municipal Boundary Adjustments ATTN: Christine Scotillo PO Box 64620 St. Paul, MN 55164-0620

Ms. Scotillo,

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Please contact me at 218-299-5332 should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Kristie Leshovsky Community Services Planner

Enclosure: Resolution serving Notice of Intent to annex General Location Map

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RE: Moorhead Annexation Request

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Should the Town Board wish to waive the 90 day period required to serve objections with the director, please sign and return the enclosed waiver. Following the Board's decision, the City will pursue the annexation by ordinance of the Moorhead City Council.

Thank you for your kind consideration of the City's annexation request. Please contact me at 218-299-5332 should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Kristie Leshovsky Community Services Planner

Enclosure:

Waiver Resolution serving Notice of Intent to annex

CC: MNDOT Land Management Division MNDOT District 4 Office

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Waiver

WHEREAS, the City of Moorhead has served notice on the Town of Moorhead of a proposed annexation by ordinance pursuant to section 414.033 subd.3 MSA of the property described in Exhibit A to this waiver; and

WHEREAS, this annexation only involves the annexation of an approximately 20 acre piece of property that is Interstate 94 and right of way for Interstate 94 that is more than 60% surrounded by the current city limits of the City of Moorhead;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Moorhead that the Town of Moorhead has no objection to such annexation by ordinance and does hereby by this resolution waive its 90 day period to file objections to the annexation.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Chair

Clerk

The Subject Area to be annexed in the attached Ordinance is described as follows:

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General Location Map

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the territory described below is not presently within the corporate limits of any incorporated city, and

WHEREAS, the area proposed for annexation is 40 acres or less in size, is 60% or more bordered by land already within the corporate limits of the City of Moorhead, and is not appropriate for annexation by ordinance pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 414.033, Subd. 2(3); and

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WHEREAS, the area proposed for annexation abuts upon the corporate limits of the City of Moorhead, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the area proposed for annexation is unincorporated, abuts on the city's East boundary, and is not included within any other municipality; and

WHEREAS, the area proposed for annexation is approximately 20 acres in size; and

WHEREAS, the reason for the proposed annexation is to straighten the City limit border; and.

WHEREAS, the nature of the area proposed for annexation is Interstate Property and related Right-of-Way; and

WHEREAS, the area proposed for annexation is not included in any area that has already been designated for orderly annexation pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 414.0325, nor in any other proceeding currently pending before the Office of Administrative Hearings - Municipal Boundary Adjustments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA that we hereby serve a Notice of Intent to annex the above-described property into the corporate limits of the City of Moorhead, Minnesota to Moorhead Township and the Office of Administrative Hearings.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Moorhead this 17th day of March, 2008.

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Mark Voxland MARK VOXLAND, Mayor ATTEST:

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/s/ Kaye Buchholz KAYE BUCHHOLZ, City Clerk

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF CLAY CITY OF MOORHEAD

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing document is a true and correct copy of said document presented to and adopted by the City Council of the City of Moorhead, Minnesota at a duly authorized meeting thereof held on the 1^{-1} day of Monch 20_0S. I further certify that this document has not been rescinded or modified and is still in force and effect. Dated this ______ day of Monch, 20_0S.

City Cler

#2008-350-A (Consent Agenda)