OA-1130-1 Taconite

City Signed Resolution: 12-13-04 Town Signed Resolution: 3-7-05

## STATE OF MINNESOTA

## OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TACONITE AND THE TOWN OF IRON RANGE PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES 414	) ) )	ORDER

WHEREAS, a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Taconite and the Town of Iron Range; and

WHEREAS, said resolution requests that certain property be annexed to the City of Taconite pursuant to M.S. 414.0325;

WHEREAS, M.S. 414.0325 states that in certain circumstances the Director of Strategic and Long Range Planning may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation of land pursuant to said subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, Reorganization Order No. 192, effective March 8, 2005, has transferred the duties of the Director to the Chief Administrative Law Judge; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2005, the Chief Administrative Law Judge has reviewed and accepted the resolution for orderly annexation;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the following described property is hereby annexed in accordance with the terms of the joint resolution to the City of Taconite, Minnesota, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

NW NW, Section 27-56-24, 32.43 acres NE NW, Section 27-56-24, 40 acres

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That the tax rate of the City of Taconite on the property

herein ordered annexed shall be increased in substantially equal proportions over a period of five years to equality with the tax rate of the property already within the city.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005.

For the Chief Administrative Law Judge 658 Cedar Street, Room 300 St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Christine M. Scotillo Executive Director

Municipal Boundary Adjustments