BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC AND LONG RANGE PLANNING OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

	<u>ORDER</u>	

WHEREAS, a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of St. Cloud and the Town of Minden; and

WHEREAS, a resolution was received from the City of St. Cloud requesting that certain property be annexed to the City of St. Cloud pursuant to M.S. 414.0325, Subdivision 1; and

WHEREAS, M.S. 414.0325, M.S. 414.11, and M.S. 414.12 states that in certain circumstances the Director of the Office 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, on May 13, 2002, the Director of the Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning 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 St. Cloud, Minnesota the same as

if it had originally been made a part thereof:

The west half of the west half of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, Section 32, Township 36, Range 30, Benton County, Minnesota, subject to the right-of-way of a county road over the southerly part thereof and easements of record, containing 10.26 acres more or less.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2002.

For the Director of the Office of Strategic & Long Range Planning 658 Cedar Street - Room 300 St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

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Executive Director

Municipal Boundary Adjustments

MEMORANDUM

In ordering the annexation contained in Docket No. OA-746-10, the Director of Strategic and Long Range Planning finds and makes the following comment:

Paragraph/item 8 of the agreement provides for a division of tax revenue from an annexed area, based upon a 9 year schedule. By making this order, no determination is made as to the effectiveness of such a schedule. Minnesota Statutes Section 414.036 allows for a reimbursement to the township of property taxes of substantially equal payments over a period of not less than two nor more than six years. Including such a provision in an order under Minnesota Statutes Section 414.0325 is discretionary with the Director.

The parties are encouraged to consider this comment in light of any further amendments that may be otherwise necessary to this agreement for orderly annexation.