# BEFORE THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSION

#### OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

Thomas J. Simmons
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J.C. Hennes

Chairman Vice Chairman Member Ex-Officio Member Ex-Officio Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT RESOLUTION )

BETWEEN SARTELL AND SAUK RAPIDS TOWN- )

SHIP FOR THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION OF )

CERTAIN LAND TO THE CITY OF SARTELL )

AND ORDER

The above-entitled matter came on for hearing before the Minnesota Municipal Commission pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 414, as amended, on September 10, 1975 at Sartell, Minnesota. The City of Sartell appeared by and through Louis J. Reed, City Attorney. No party appeared in opposition to the annexation. The hearing was conducted by Chairman Simmons, before a quorum of the Municipal Commission. Testimony was heard and records and exhibits were received.

After due and careful consideration of all evidence, together with all records, files and proceedings, and being fully advised in the premises, the Minnesota Municipal Commission hereby makes and files the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. That a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Sartell and the Township of Sauk Rapids and duly filed with the Minnesota Municipal Commission.
- 2. Due, Timely and adequate legal notice of the hearing was published, served and filed.
- 3. That the area proposed to be annexed is about to undergo institutional development.
- 4. That the City of Sartell is capable of and it is practical for it to provide to the area proposed for annexation full municipal services within the next 3 years.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Minnesota Municipal Commission duly acquired and now has jurisdiction of the within proceeding.
- 2. The area proposed for annexation is now or is about to become urban or suburban in nature.
- 3. The City of Sartell is capable of providing the services required by the area described herein within a reasonable time.

### O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the following described property lying in the Township of Sauk Rapids, County of Benton, State of Minnesota, be and the same hereby is annexed to the City of Sartell the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

"The Westerly 485.00 Feet of the East Thirty (E. 30 A.) Acres of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE% NW%) of Section Fifteen (15), Township Thirty-Six (36), North, Range Thirty-One (31) West, Benton County, Minnesota, less and excepting the Northerly 435.09 feet thereof, containing 10 acres, more or less."

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: that the mill levy of the City of Sartell on the property herein ordered annexed shall be increased in substantially equal proportion over a period of 3 years to equality with the mill levy of the property already within the City. In the year following annexation the increase in the mill rate for city purposes on the property annexed shall not exceed 1/3 of the difference between the current mill levy for city and township purposes. In the second year following annexation the increase in the mill rate on the property annexed shall not exceed 1/2 of the then existing difference between the mill levy on the property annexed and the full mill levy for city purposes. In the third year following annexation the property annexed shall be taxed at the full city rate.

Dated this 3rd day of November , 1975

MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL COMMISSION 304 Capitol Square Building Saint Paul, Minnesota 255101

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