

MOTION TO INITIATE

WHEREAS, J. Edward Quest, Mayor of DeePhaven and Alan Albrecht, Mayor of Greenwood, by letter of April 27, 1983 have indicated to the Minnesota Municipal Board that they wish to give the citizens of their respective communities the opportunity to express themselves on a proposed consolidation of the two cities pursuant to M.S. 414.041 while insuring for the residents of these cities the opportunity to participate in a referendum on this issue; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Alan Albrecht and Mayor J. Edward Quest have indicated that the concern for economy of government as well as public comments indicate the appropriateness of investigating the consolidation of these two cities; and

WHEREAS, the Cities of Greenwood and DeePhaven presently share administrative services, public works, diseased tree control services as well as having a community of interest in the common surrounding environment and cultural background; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Cities of DeePhaven and Greenwood have discussed at length the practical feasibility of the consolidation of these two cities; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Municipal Board has been requested to initiate the city consolidation process on its own motion, so as to insure a referendum on the issue, should the board after the statutory procedure of a study commission, a hearing before the board, and the issuance of the board's order, approve the consolidation, the citizens of each city will be insured the opportunity to vote in a referendum on the matter; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Municipal Board's motion to initiate sets in process the procedure outlined in M.S. 414.041 so as to formerly allow the residents of Greenwood and DeePhaven to explore the consolidation of their two cities pursuant

to the request of the Mayors of these cities;

THEREFORE, the Minnesota Municipal Board pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 414.041 hereby initiates consolidation proceedings involving the Cities of Deephaven and Greenwood.

Dated this 8th day of June, 1983.

MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL BOARD
165 Metro Square Building
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Terrence A. Merritt
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Executive Director

April 27, 1983

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Municipal Board
State of Minnesota
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Attention: Mr. Terrence Merritt,
Executive Director

Re: Deephaven - Greenwood Consolidation

Dear Members of the Board:

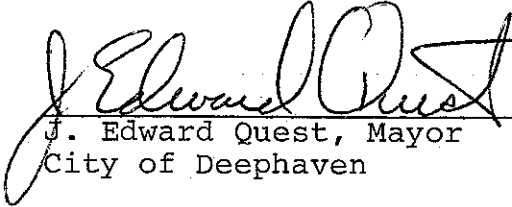
The Cities of Deephaven and Greenwood have for some time been considering a consolidation of the two cities. It has long been felt that considerable cost savings could be achieved by eliminating the present duplication of effort in the areas of administrative services, planning, police protection and elected officials. The cities could consolidate services presently provided by Deephaven to Greenwood, including public works, administration and diseased tree control. These two cities seem particularly well suited for consolidation. Planning and zoning ordinances and lake usage goals are similar and closely aligned, and the two cities share common boundaries and roadways.

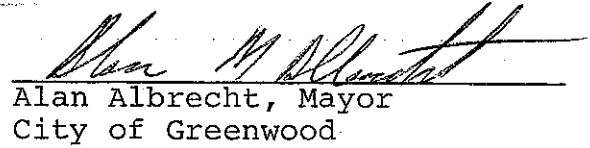
For these reasons, the city councils of both cities have concluded they would like the two cities to consolidate so long as that is the desire of the residents of both cities. The council of each city definitely wants a referendum on the question so that the voters will have the opportunity to decide whether a consolidation will take place.

As you probably know, the law does not expressly provide for a referendum when the proceedings are initiated by council resolutions unless there subsequently is a petition by 10% or more of the resident voters objecting to the Board's order for consolidation. If the proceeding is initiated by the Board, however, the law provides for a referendum to be held in each city. For this reason, we respectfully request that you initiate the proceedings for consolidation. Our city councils have authorized us to make this request to you, and it is our hope that

you will be willing to accommodate the desire of each council for a referendum.

If you have any questions regarding our request, or if you need any further information, please let us know.


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