IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR DETACHMENT OF CERTAIN LAND FROM THE CITY OF DONALDSON, MINNESOTA PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES § 414.06

TO: Office of Administrative Hearings Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit P. O. Box 64620 St. Paul, MN 55164-0620

Pursuant to the 2012 amendment to Minn. Stat. § 414.06, the petitioner(s) shall also provide a copy of this petition to:

1) the city from which the land may be detached;

2) all property owners who have not signed this petition;

3) the clerk of the town to which the property may be attached if granted;

4) the clerk of any other abutting town or city; and

5) the county recorder in the county in which the land is located.

PETITIONER STATES: The number of petitioners required by Minnesota Statutes § 414.06, Subd. 1, to commence this proceeding is 75% or more of the property owners in number if the area is more than 40 acres.

The petitioner is the Gregg William Sauder Property Trust. This petition relates to the real property owned by Petitioner and described in Exhibit A (the "Property").

It is hereby requested by Petitioner, sole owner of the Property, to detach the Property from the City of Donaldson and make the Property a part of the Township of Davis.

- 1. There is one property owner in the area proposed for detachment.
- 2. The sole property owner has signed this petition.
- 3. The Property is situated within the City of Donaldson (population 42), abuts the municipal boundary, and is located in the County of Kittson. The petitioned area abuts on the city's western boundary.

- 4. The property proposed for detachment is rural in character and not developed for urban residential, commercial, or industrial purposes.
- 5. The reason detachment is requested is because all residential structures have been removed from the Property, the Property has been improved for the sole purposes of tillable agricultural use for grain and row crops. The Property lies west of the railroad tracks and Highway 75 within the City of Donaldson and there are no urban residential, commercial, or industrial uses west of the railroad tracks or Highway 75. All land lying west of the railroad tracks and surrounding the Property is agricultural. The detachment will not affect the symmetry of the City because all development is located east of the railroad tracks and Highway 75. The Property is not needed for any future development; the City of Donaldson had a population of 42 in the 2010 census, which is a 75% decrease from its peak last century.
- 6. Summarize what efforts were taken prior to filing this petition to resolve the issues: <u>Informal discussions prior to submission of the petition</u>
- 7. The number of acres in the property proposed for detachment is approximately 199 and is described in Exhibit A.
- 8. The number and character of buildings on said property is: there are no structures on the Property, the Property consists entirely of agricultural farm field.
- 9. The number of residents in the area proposed for detachment is zero (0).
- 10. Public improvements on said property are: to the best knowledge of the Petitioner, there are no public improvements on, or serving the Property.

Date: 11-2-2020

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Lisa K. Sauder, as Trústee of the Gregg William Sauder Property Trust Dated August 22, 2017

<u>Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit Contact</u> Star Holman <u>star.holman@state.mn.us</u> 651-361-7909 (July 2019)

Exhibit A

Property Legal Description

All that part of Section Nineteen (19) lying and being West of the Great Northern Railway Right of Way, Township One Hundred Fifty-nine (159) North, Range Fortyeight (48) West, Kittson County, Minnesota.