RESOLUTION NO: 03-109

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GRANITE FALLS AND THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS DESIGNATING AN UNINCORPORATED AREA AS IN NEED OF ORDERLY ANNEXATION AND CONFERRING JURISDICTION OVER SAID AREA TO THE MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL BOARD PURSUANT TO M.S. 414.0325

JOINT RESOLUTION FOR ORDERLY ANNEXATION

The Township of Granite Falls and the City of Granite Falls, Minnesota, hereby jointly agree to the following:

1. That the following described in Granite Falls Township is subject to orderly annexation pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.0325, and the parties hereto designate this area for orderly annexation, to-wit:

Tract 1:

The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼NE¼) of Section One (1), Township One Hundred Fifteen (115), Range Thirty-nine (39), excepting therefrom the right of way of Minnesota Highway 23 located in Granite Falls Township, Chippewa County, Minnesota.

Tract 2:

The Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE½NE½), Section One (1), Township One Hundred Fifteen (115), Range Thirty-nine (39), lying west of the center line of the right of way of State Highway 23.

2. That the Town Board of the Township of Granite Falls, and the City Council of the City of Granite Falls, upon passage and adoption of this resolution, and upon acceptance by the Municipal Board, confer jurisdiction upon the Municipal Board over the various provisions contained in this agreement.

3. That these certain properties, which although not directly abutting the City of Granite Falls, are connected and adjacent thereto via an intermediate public right-of-way, are presently urban or suburban in nature or are about to become so. Further, the City of Granite Falls is capable of providing services through this area within a reasonable time, and the annexation is in the best interest of the area proposed for annexation. Therefore, these properties should be immediately annexed to the City of Granite Falls, to-wit:

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- 4. Within the orderly annexation area, the parties agree to reimbursement of property taxes lost to the Township as a result of the annexation. The reimbursement shall be made according to the following: the City shall pay annually to the Township at the conclusion of each tax year an amount equal to the amount of taxes that would otherwise have been paid to the Township in that year for the annexation area had the property not been improved for the general industry use contemplated following annexation and had instead remained unimproved, unoccupied, agricultural crop land. It is the intent of this provision that the Township shall annually receive the amount that would otherwise have been generated had the property remained in the same unimproved condition and used as general agricultural crop land for the indefinite future. The reimbursement to be paid by the City to the Township pursuant to this provision shall continue indefinitely unless otherwise agreed in writing by the parties.
 - 5. Upon annexation, the parcel shall be deemed I-2 General Industry.
- 6. Notwithstanding the location of the orderly annexation area and the annexation of the same, the Township and the City agree that with the exception of the orderly annexation area itself, which shall hereafter be subject to the Zoning, Subdivision and Building Code Rules applicable to other properties located with the City, that the area subject to those rules and regulations imposed by the City shall not be altered as a result of this annexation.
- 7. Both the Township of Granite Falls and the City of Granite Falls agree that no alteration of the stated boundaries of this agreement is appropriate. Furthermore, each party agrees that no consideration by the Municipal Board is necessary. Upon receipt of this resolution, passed and adopted by each party, the Municipal Board may review and comment, but shall, within 30 days after the forwarding of an executed copy of this joint resolution, order the annexation in accordance with the terms of this joint resolution.

Approved by the Township of Granite Falls this 30th day of June 2003.

Township of Granite Falls

By:

Vernon L. Nelson Vernon L. Nelson

Its:

Town Board Supervisor

By:

Keith E. Sandberg

Its:

Town Board Supervisor

Approved by the City of Granite Falls this 30th day of June 2003.

ATTEST:

Joan M. Taylor, City Clerk

City of Granite Falls

By: David Smiglewski
s: Mayor

And:

William R. Lavir

Its:

City Manager

This Instrument was Drafted By:

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