BEFORE THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

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Thomas J. Simmons Robert W. Johnson Gerald J. Isaacs Robert Tepley Felix Kujawa

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN THE CITY OF LITTLE FALLS AND THE TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS FOR THE ORDERLY) ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN LAND TO THE CITY OF LITTLE FALLS

FINDINGS OF FACT. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

The above-entitled matter came on for hearing before the Minnesota Municipal Commission pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 414, as amended, on April 24, 1975 at the Little Falls City Hall, Little Falls, Minnesota. The City of Little Falls appeared by and through Robert J. Phillips. There were no other appearances. The hearing was conducted by Gerald Isaacs, Commissioner, of the Minnesota Municipal Commission before a duly convened quorum. Also in attendance were County Commissioners Felix Kujawa and Robert Tepley, Ex-Officio Members of the 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

That a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Little Falls and the Township of Little Falls 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 characterized by residential and commercial development and will experience further development in the near future.
- 4. That the City of Little Falls does now provide to the area proposed for annexation the following services:

water sewer

- 5. That the City of Little Falls is capable of and it is practical for it to provide to the area proposed for annexation all remaining municipal services within the next three (3) years.
 - 6. The population of the area proposed for annexation is 3.
 - 7. The assessed value of the property proposed for annexation is:

Residential \$4,200 Commercial 9,890 Total: \$14,090

8. The town mill rate on the area proposed for annexation is 6.24.

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 Little Falls is capable of providing the services required by the area described herein within a reasonable time.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: that the following described property lying in the Township of Little Falls, County of Morrison, State of Minnesota, be and the same hereby is annexed to the City of Little Falls the same

as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

The North 754 feet of the East 750 feet of that part of the East half of Southwest Quarter (E½ of SW¼) of Section Nine (9), Township Forty (40), Range Thirty-two (32), lying South of the right of way of Trunk Highway No. 27.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: that the mill levy of the City of Little Falls on the property herein ordered annexed shall be increased in substantially equal proportion over a period of three (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.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: that the population of the City of Little Falls be and the same hereby is increased by three (3) for all purposes until the next federal or state census.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: that the population of the Town of Little Falls be and the same hereby is decreased by three (3) for all purposes until the next federal or state census.

Dated this $12^{\frac{1}{12}}$ day of M

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