OA-123-5 Blue Earth City Signed Resolution 3-17-03 Town Signed Resolution 3-18-03

BEFORE THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF

STRATEGIC AND LONG RANGE PLANNING

OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION)		
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BLUE EARTH)		
AND THE TOWN OF BLUE EARTH CITY PURSUANT TO)	<u>ORDER</u>	
MINNESOTA STATUTES 414)		
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WHEREAS, a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Blue Earth and the Town of Blue Earth City; and

WHEREAS, a resolution was received from the City of Blue Earth indicating their desire that certain property be annexed to the City of Blue Earth pursuant to M.S. 414.0325; and

WHEREAS, M.S. 414.0325 states that in certain circumstances the Director of the Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation pursuant to said subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2003, the Acting Director of the Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning has reviewed and accepted the resolution for orderly annexation;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the following described property is hereby annexed in accordance with the terms of the joint resolution to the City of Blue Earth, Minnesota, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof:

That part of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Five (5), Township One Hundred Two (102), North of Range Twenty-seven (27) lying

west of the west right-of-way boundary of T.H. No. 169, Faribault County, Minnesota.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That the tax rate of the City of Blue Earth on the property herein ordered annexed shall be increased in substantially equal proportions over a period of five years to equality with the tax rate of the property already within the city.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2003.

For the Acting Director of the Office of Strategic & Long Range Planning 658 Cedar Street - Room 300 St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Christine M. Scotillo

Executive Director

Municipal Boundary Adjustments

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

In ordering the annexation contained in Docket No. OA-123-5 Blue Earth, the Acting Director of the Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning finds and makes the following comment:

Planning in the area designated for orderly annexation must be provided for by one of three provisions set forth in Minnesota Statutes Section 414.0325, Subd. 5. The joint resolution does not make reference to which of the three statutory provisions the parties have agreed on to govern planning in the designated area.

The parties are encouraged to consider this comment in light of any further amendments that may be otherwise necessary to this agreement for orderly annexation.

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