A JOINT RESOLUTION TO BE PRESENTED TO THE MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL BOARD AS TO ORDERLY ANNEXATION BY THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD AND TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield recognizes the potential for urban development into the Township of Bridgewater; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield and Township of Bridgewater desire to accommodate growth in the most orderly fashion; and

WHEREAS, the joint orderly annexation agreement between the parties hereto will be beneficial to both parties from the standpoint of orderly planning and orderly transition of form of government within the area proposed to be annexed as well as providing the guidelines under which the annexation is to take place.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City of Northfield and the Township of Bridgewater that the parcel described herein proposed to be annexed by the City shall be annexed under the following stipulations:

- I. The Rice County Zoning Ordinance recognizes certain designated areas as A-l (Agricultural Land for Urban Expansion).

 The parcel described herein is located within the A-l district.
- II. The City shall annex this parcel which is continguous and shall follow City policies concerning the extension of municipal utilities.

III. The following described property shall be the lands which are covered by this orderly annexation agreement.

The Northwest Quarter (NW4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1); and the Southwest Quarter (SW1) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1); and all that part of the Northwest Quarter (NW4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW4) lying South and East of the center line of County State Aid Highway No. 28, which lies within the following described tract of land, to-wit: Beginning at the Southwest corner of the said Northwest Quarter (NW4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW%); thence East along the South line of the said Northwest Quarter (NW4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4), a distance of Thirty-Two (32) Rods; thence in a Northwesterly direction to a point in the West line of the said Northwest Quarter (NW1) of the Northwest Quarter (NW4), Ten (10) Rods North of the said Southwest corner of the said Northwest Quarter (NW4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW4); thence South along the West line of the said Northwest Quarter (NW4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW%), Ten (10) Rods to the place of beginning; all in Section Twelve (12), Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Twenty (20) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Rice County, Minnesota.

AND ALSO

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE% of the NE%) of Section 11, Township 111 North, Range 20 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Rice County, Minnesota, described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter (SE% of NE%); thence Southerly, along the East line of said Northeast Quarter (NE%), 225.00 Feet; thence Northwesterly, to a point in the center line of County State Aid Highway 28, a distance of 110.00 Feet Southeasterly from the intersection of the North line of said Southeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter (SE% of NE%), with said center line of County State Aid Highway 28; thence Northeasterly, along said center line of County State Aid Highway 28, to a point in said North line; thence Easterly, along said North line to said point of beginning; subject to County State Aid Highway 28 over the Northwesterly side of the above described parcel; containing about 17,000 square feet,

including said County State Aid Highway right of way, and containing about 12,000 square feet, excluding said County State Aid Highway right of way.

- IV. The parties agree to the following division of financial obligations for the lands described in this agreement:
 - (a) Property Taxes: Property taxes payable in the year of annexation shall be proportioned on a monthly basis between the City and Township i.e., if the parcel for annexation was annexed with four (4) months remaining in the year, the property taxes collected would be apportioned and paid to the Township for two-thirds (2/3) of the year and to the City for one-third (1/3) of the year. Taxes due and payable the first year after annexation of aforementioned parcel shall increase at a 33 1/3% rate annually from the existing township mill rate to the City mill rate; i.e., a 33 1/3% raise the first year from the Township mill rate; 66 2/3% the second year, and 100% the third year or full City mill rate.
 - (b) <u>Utility Assessments</u>: The parcel annexed, shall not be assessed for improvement until said improvements shall have been determined to benefit the property as set forth in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 429.
 - (c) Zoning: All lands annexed by the City shall be zoned according to the normal zoning designation procedure established in the Northfield Zoning Ordinance. The City of Northfield's Comprehensive Guide Plan will guide the City in arriving at the appropriate zoning of the parcel.
- V. Annexation shall occur only when a petition shall be presented to the appropriate authorities in the city signed by a majority of the fee holders in the affected parcel or reflecting the results of an election showing a majority of the feeholders of said parcel being affected by this annexation consent. Once

such a petition has been presented, the City will comply with the notice and hearing requirements of Chapter 414 of the Minnesota Statutes and present said petition to the Minnesota Municipal Board. Either party to this agreement may notify the Minnesota Municipal Board of its consent or objection to the petition and shall be entitled to all of the rights, including public hearings, as set forth in Chapter 414 of the Minnesota Statutes.

Approved by the City of Northfield this 2 day of

Mylmon, 1981.

CITY OF NORTHFIELD

By: Mayor

And: Wandline

Its: Clerk

Approved by the Township of Bridgewater this 19 day of

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP

Its: Chairma

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