STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION) AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COLERAINE) AND GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO) MINNESOTA STATUTES 414)

FINDINGS OF FACT CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

The joint resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Coleraine and Grand Rapids Township was reviewed for conformity with applicable law. The undersigned Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge, acting under a delegation from the Chief Administrative Law Judge, hereby makes and files the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On June 26, 2009, the Chief Administrative Law Judge reviewed and accepted the

joint resolution which was adopted by the City on June 22, 2009, and by the Township on June 8,

2009, and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings-Municipal Boundary

Adjustments on June 25, 2009.

2. The joint resolution requests the designation and immediate annexation of certain property to the City of Coleraine described as follows:

Those portions of Grand Rapids Township lying East of the Prairie River and East of the Mississippi River South of its confluence with the Prairie River, said portion consisting of the entirety of Sections 1, 12, 13, 24, and 25, and portions of Sections 2, 3, 11, 14, 23, 26, 35 and 36, all lying and being in Township Fifty-five (55) North, Range Twenty-five (25) West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, County of Itasca, State of Minnesota.

3. Minnesota Statutes §414.0325, subd. 1(h) states that in certain circumstances the

Chief Administrative Law Judge may review and comment, but shall within 30 days order the annexation pursuant to the terms of a joint resolution for orderly annexation.

4. The joint resolution contains all the information required by Minnesota Statutes §414.0325, subd. 1(h), including a provision that the Chief Administrative Law Judge may review and comment but shall order the annexation within 30 days in accordance with the terms of the joint resolution.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Office of Administrative Hearings has duly acquired and now has jurisdiction of the within proceeding.

2. An order should be issued by the Chief Administrative Law Judge annexing the area described herein.

<u>ORDER</u>

1. The property described in Findings of Fact 2 is annexed to the City of Coleraine, the same as if it had originally been made a part thereof.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.036, no reimbursement shall be made to the Township of Grand Rapids by the City of Coleraine in accordance with the terms of the Joint Resolution signed by the City on June 22, 2009 and Township on June 8, 2009.

Dated this 26th day of June, 2009.

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