STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDWOOD FALLS AND HONNER TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO)	FINDINGS OF FACT CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
MINNESOTA STATUTES 414)	AND ORDER

The joint resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Redwood Falls and Honner Township was reviewed for conformity with applicable law. By delegation, the Chief Administrative Law Judge hereby makes and files the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On September 13, 2011, the Chief Administrative Law Judge or authorized designee reviewed and accepted the joint resolution which was adopted by the City on August 2, 2011 and the Township on August 4, 2011, and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings-Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit on September 9, 2011.
- 2. The joint resolution requests the designation and immediate annexation of certain property to the City of Redwood Falls described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE1/4 SE1/4) of Section Number Thirty-one (31), Township One Hundred Thirteen (113), Range Thirty-five (35) running thence North Ten (10) Rods, thence East Eighty (80) rods, thence South Ten (10) rods, thence West Eighty (80) rods, to the place of beginning, being the southerly Five (5) acres the said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE1/4 SE1/4) of Section

Numbered Thirty-one (31) Township One Hundred Thirteen (113) Range thirty-five (35).

- 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 or authorized designee annexing the area described herein.

ORDER

- 1. The property described in Findings of Fact 2 is annexed to the City of Redwood Falls, 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 Honner by the City of Redwood Falls in accordance with the terms of the Joint Resolution signed by the City on August 2, 2011 and Township on August 4, 2011.

Dated this 13th day of September, 2011.

Timothy J. O'Malley

Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge

Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit