BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC AND LONG RANGE PLANNING OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION)	
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HASTINGS)	<u>ORDER</u>
AND THE TOWN OF NINENGER PURSUANT TO)	
MINNESOTA STATUTES 414)	

WHEREAS, a joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Hastings and the Town of Ninenger; and

WHEREAS, a joint resolution was received from the City of Hastings and the Town of Ninenger indicating their desire that certain property be annexed to the City of Hastings pursuant to M.S. 414.0325, Subd. 1; and

WHEREAS, M.S. 414.0325, M.S. 414.11, and M.S. 414.12 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 of land pursuant to said subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2002, the 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 Hastings, Minnesota, the same as

if it had originally been made a part thereof:

All that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 115, Range 17, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying South of the center line of the Vermillion River.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That in the calendar year following annexation, the tax capacity rate of the Orderly Annexation Area be increased to equality with the tax capacity rate on property already situated within the City of Hastings.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2002.

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

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Municipal Boundary Adjustments

MEMORANDUM

In ordering the annexation contained in Docket No. OA-286-3 Hastings, the Director of Strategic and Long Range Planning finds and makes the following comment:

It is unclear whether the following section entitled "6. Tax Capacity Rate" imposes a one year tax rate step up. A one year tax rate step is authorized under Minnesota Statutes section 414.035, but the statute requires the tax rate to be increased in "substantially equal proportions".

The approval of this docket completes the annexation of the entire area designated for orderly annexation by the 1993 joint resolution between the City of Hastings and the Town of Ninenger.