

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

-----  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDERLY ANNEXATION )  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BUFFALO ) FINDINGS OF FACT  
AND CHATHAM TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO ) CONCLUSIONS OF LAW  
MINNESOTA STATUTES 414 ) AND ORDER  
-----

The joint resolution for orderly annexation submitted by the City of Buffalo and Chatham 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. A joint resolution for orderly annexation was adopted by the City of Buffalo and Chatham Township pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 414.0325 and duly filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings-Municipal Boundary Adjustments.

2. A joint resolution adopted and submitted by the City of Buffalo and Chatham Township, requests annexation of part of the designated area described as follows:

The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (described by the Government survey as Lot one) of Section 13, Township 120, Range 26.

The Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 120, Range 26, except the south 330.00 feet of the north 680.00 of the west 330.00 feet of said Northwest Quarter of Northwest Quarter, as measured along the north and west lines thereof. The south 330.00 feet of the north 680.00 of the west 330.00 feet of the Northwest Quarter of Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 120, Range 26, as measured along the north and west lines thereof.

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 Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge annexing the area described herein.

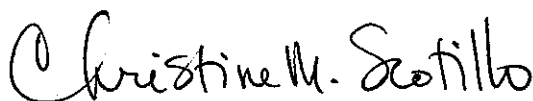
#### ORDER

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

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §414.036, Chatham Township will be reimbursed by the City of Buffalo in accordance with the terms of the Joint Resolution signed by the City on June 1, 2009 and the Township on July 14, 2009.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009.

For the Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge  
P. O. Box 64620  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620



Christine M. Scotillo  
Executive Director  
Municipal Boundary Adjustments