

PETITION FOR FORMATION OF  
VILLAGE OF ERHARD

TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF  
OTTER TAIL, STATE OF MINNESOTA:

The undersigned petitioners respectfully show to the County  
Board of Commissioners of Otter Tail County, Minnesota, to-wit:

I.

That a census has been taken of the territory hereinafter  
described proposed to be incorporated as a village pursuant to  
the laws of the State of Minnesota and that said census is  
attached hereto; that the same was taken by three voters residing  
within the area hereinafter described and the population within  
the limits of said territory is found to be in excess of 100  
persons residing therein.

II.

That the whole of said territory proposed to be incorporated  
as a village is located within the County of Otter Tail and  
State of Minnesota and is described as follows, to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter  
(S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-one (21), the  
Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter  
(SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-two (22), the  
West Half of the Northwest Quarter (W $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ )  
of Section Twenty-seven (27), the Northeast  
Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-eight (28),  
all in Erhards Grove Township, being Town-  
ship One Hundred Thirty-five (135) North  
of Range Forty-three (43) West of the Fifth  
Principal Meridian and including all platted  
and unplatted lands within said description  
which includes the property designated as the  
original plat of Erharts, Lakeside Addition to  
Erharts and Thompson's Addition to Erharts,  
all according to the recorded plats thereof.

III.

That the quantity of land embraced within the said des-  
cription is 360 acres. That the number of actual residents as  
shown by the census attached hereto is 142.

IV.

That the proposed name of the village to be incorporated  
out of said territory is "Erhard".

V.

That the boundaries described above include land platted  
into lots and blocks as indicated by the description above  
together with land adjacent to the said platted land and that said  
adjacent land is so conditioned as properly to be subjected to  
village government and that none of the land included within the  
boundaries and description above lies within the limits of any  
incorporated municipality.

VI.

That all of the undersigned are voters who have resided  
continuously within the territory described herein above for  
at least two years prior to the date of this petition.

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WHEREFORE, Your petitioners and the undersigned pray that the County Board by its resolution call an election on the question of the incorporation of the territory described above and fix a date not less than 20 days nor more than 30 day after the passage of such resolution when an election shall be held at a place designated by the County Board within the area described in the petition and that the Board cause a copy of this petition together with a notice of the election to be posted not less than 20 days before the election in three public places in the area described in the petition and give two weeks published notice of the election in a qualified newspaper published in the area and further by its resolution appoint three electors resident in the area to act as judges of the election and fix the time as required by law when the polls shall be opened and take such other action as may be necessary and required by law.

Dated August 10, 1949.

Albert G. Solum

Albert G. Solum, census taker

George E. Thompson

George E. Thompson, census taker

Magnus Pederson

Magnus Pederson, census taker

1. Ethel E. Thompson
2. Myrtle C. Solum
3. Edwin Kantrud
4. Minnie Kantrud
5. Al Sundblad
6. Elizabeth L. Sundblad
7. L. Erwin Gilbertson
8. Ida G. Gilbertson
9. Andrew O. Solum
10. Mary Solum
11. Selvin M. Samuelson
12. Luella Samuelson
13. Frank Lemberger
14. Ida Lemberger
15. Earl Stadum
16. Jewell Stadum
17. Bennett Samuelson
18. Ethel Samuelson
19. Clara Thompson
20. Alpha Sha
21. Kenneth Sha
22. Pauline Peterson

23. John L. Peterson

24. Ethel Perkins

25. Herbert J. Weiss

26. Vernon Tweet

27. Bernice Tweet

28. Linda Weiss

29. Obert Wold

30. Gladys Wold

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
                              ) ss.  
COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL )

Albert G. Solum, George E. Thompson and Magnus Pederson, each being duly sworn deposes and says that he has read the foregoing petition, executed the same, and knows the contents thereof and that the said petition and all of the statements therein are true of his own knowledge, that the census attached thereto was accurately taken and that the representations made in the census attached thereto are true; that said census was begun on August 10, 1949 and completed on August 10, 1949.

Albert G. Solum

George E. Thompson

Magnus Pederson

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 10th day of August, 1949.

Lester Wm. Thompson  
Lester Wm. Thompson, Notary Public,  
Otter Tail County, Minnesota  
My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_  
Lester Wm. Thompson  
Notary Public, Otter Tail County, Minn.  
My Commission Expires April 27, 1952.

(seal)

STATE OF MINNESOTA)

SS

COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL)

On this 10th day of August, 1949, before me, a notary public within and for said county and state personally appeared Ethel E. Thompson, Myrtle C. Solum, Edwin Kantrud, Minnie Kantrud, Al Sundblad, Elizabeth L. Sundblad, L. Erwin Gilbertson, Ida G. Gilbertson, Andrew O. Solum, Mary Solum, Selvin M. Samuelson, Luella Samuelson, Frank Lemberger, Ida Lemberger, Earl Stadum, Jewell Stadum, Bennett Samuelson, Ethel Samuelson, Clara Thompson, Alpha Sha, Kenneth Sha, Pauline Peterson, John L. Peterson, Ethel Perkins, Herbert J. Weiss, Vernon Tweet, Bernice Tweet, Linda Weiss, Obert Wold and Gladys Wold,

to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing petition as their free act and deed, that each of them was a resident voter of the territory described in said petition and that each of them has resided continuously within said territory for at least two years prior to the 10th day of August, 1949, and prior to the execution of said petition.

Lester Wm. Thompson

Lester Wm. Thompson  
Notary Public, Otter Tail County,  
Minnesota

My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

Lester Wm. Thompson  
Notary Public, Otter Tail County, Minn.  
My Commission expires April 27, 1952

(seal)

CENSUS LIST OF PROPOSED  
ERHARD VILLAGE

The undersigned being three voters residing within the area described herein proposed to be incorporated as the Village of Erhard hereby certify, prepare and show the following census.

The area proposed to be incorporated as the Village of Erhard and within which the following census is taken is described as that area situated in the County of Otter Tail, State of Minnesota, as follows, to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter ( $S\frac{1}{2} SE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-one (21), the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter ( $SW\frac{1}{4} SW\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-two (22), the West Half of the Northwest Quarter ( $W\frac{1}{2} NW\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-seven (27), and the Northeast Quarter ( $NE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-eight (28), all in Erhards Grove Township, being township One Hundred Thirty-five (135) North of Range Forty-three (43) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian and including all platted or unplatted property located within the above described area.

The undersigned show the following census, to-wit:

<u>Building Used for Residence</u>	<u>No. of People Living Therein</u>
Lewis Swenson residence	2
Farmers Co-operative Creamery of Erhard, Minnesota residence	3
H. P. Ouren residence	2
Willie Marquardt residence	5
Willis Fuder residence	4
Vernon Tweet residence	5
Geo. Perkins residence	2
Selmer Fladmark residence	1
Vernon Hanson residence	5
Carl Lyngstad residence	1
Sam Wahl residence	2
Adolph Hanson residence	1
Thos. Anderson residence	3
Earl Stadum residence	2
Ben Samuelson residence	6
M. Sorenson residence	2
M. I. Grina residence	2
Ed Kantrud residence	2
J. L. Peterson residence	2
Al Sundblad residence	2
M. Pederson residence	2
K. O. Knutson residence	4
Carl T. Sundblad residence	4
Otto Wahl residence	2
P. Pederson residence	2
John Twedt Estate residence	2
Erwin Gilbertson residence	5
Frank Boese residence	2
Sarah Johnson residence	1
Erhard Telephone Central residence	4
Herb Weiss residence	4
Ed Bakken residence	2
Henry Ouren residence	11

<u>Building Used for Residence</u>	<u>No. of People Living Therein</u>
Mrs. Ed. Thompson residence	5
Selvin Samuelson residence	4
Geo. Gunderson residence	2
Even Opsahl residence	2
Ed Sha residence	2
Frank Lemberger residence	2
C. M. Mitchell residence	2
A. O. Solum residence	2
Al Solum residence	4
Geo. Thompson residence	5
Arnold Bengtson residence	4
Obert Wold residence	2
Bertha Tweet Estate residence	2
Wm. Marquardt	1
C. M. Mitchell (Orville Flatin) residence	4
 Total	 142

The foregoing census was commenced by the undersigned census takers on August 10, 1949, and was completed August 10, 1949.

Albert G. Solum

George E. Thompson

Magnus Pederson

STATE OF MINNESOTA)  
 ) ss.  
 COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL)

Albert G. Solum, George E. Thompson and Magnus Pederson, each being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is one of the individuals who subscribed the foregoing census; that the same was accurately and carefully taken by him; that he has read and studied the same and knows the contents thereof; that all of the statements and facts shown in said petition are true; that said census was begun and completed on the date stated therein.

Albert G. Solum

George E. Thompson

Magnus Pederson

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
 this 10th day of August, 1949.

Lester Wm. Thompson

Lester Wm. Thompson, Notary Public  
 Otter Tail County, Minnesota

My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

Lester Wm. Thompson

Notary Public, Otter Tail County, Minn.

My commission expires April 27, 1952

(seal)

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Otter Tail County,  
Minnesota:

RESOLUTION CALLING ELECTION ON QUESTION OF INCORPORATION  
OF PROPOSED VILLAGE OF ERHARD FIXING DATE, PLACE, POLLING  
HOURS, APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES AND DIRECTING THE GIVING  
OF NOTICE.

WHEREAS, Three census takers and more than twenty-five qualified  
petitioners have presented a petition and census to the County Board re-  
questing the calling of an election on the issue of the incorporation of  
the Village of Erhard and

WHEREAS, It appears that the population within the territory proposed  
to be incorporated exceeds 100 persons and that the petition in all things  
complies with the requirements of Chapter 119, Laws of the State of Minnesota  
of 1949,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of  
the County of Otter Tail and State of Minnesota as follows :

I.

That an election is hereby called of voters residing within the follow-  
ing described territory situated in the County of Otter Tail and State of  
Minnesota, to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter ( $S\frac{1}{2} SE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section  
Twenty-one (21), the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter  
( $SW\frac{1}{4} SW\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-two (22), the West Half of the  
Northwest Quarter ( $W\frac{1}{2} NW\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-seven (27), the  
Northeast Quarter ( $NE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-eight (28), all in  
Erhards Grove Township, being Township One Hundred Thirty-five  
(135) North of Range Forty-three (43) West of the Fifth Princi-  
pal Meridian and including all platted and unplatted lands with-  
in said description which includes the property designated as  
the original plat of Erharts, Lakeside Addition to Erharts and  
Thompson's Addition to Erharts, all according to the recorded  
plats thereof,

and the 6th day of October, 1949, is fixed as the time and  
the town hall of the Town of Erhards Grove, located within the above des-  
cribed territory, is fixed as the place for said election.

II.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the polls at said polling place shall be  
and remain open from the hour of 12:00 o'clock noon until 7:00 o'clock P.M.

III.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Albert Sandblad, Albert G. Solun and Lester Wm. Thompson be and the same hereby are appointed to act as the judges of said election to conduct the same as far as practicable in accordance with the laws regulating the election of town officers.

IV.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Auditors on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners cause a copy of the petition in this matter including the census and together with a notice of election in the form hereinafter provided to be posted not less than twenty days before the election in three public places within the above described area, and that ~~published notice be given once a week for two weeks in Fergus Falls Daily Journal, a qualified newspaper.~~

V.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of election shall be in the following form:

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF VOTERS RESIDING  
WITHIN THE TERRITORY DESCRIBED BELOW  
ON THE QUESTION OF INCORPORATION OF  
SAID TERRITORY AS VILLAGE OF "ERHARD".

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the voters residing within the following described territory situated in the County of Otter Tail and State of Minnesota, to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter (S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-one (21), the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-two (22), the West Half of the Northwest Quarter (W $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-seven (27), the Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-eight (28), all in Erhardt Grove Township, being Township One Hundred Thirty-five (135) North of Range Forty-three (43) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian and including all platted and unplatted lands within said description which includes the property designated as the original plat of Erhardt, Lakeside Addition to Erhardt, and Thompson's Addition to Erhardt, all according to the recorded plats thereof.

That an election will be held in the town hall of the Town of Erhardt Grove within the above described territory on Thursday,

the 6th day of October, 1949, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock noon and 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day for the purpose of voting upon the proposition of incorporating the above described property as a village to be known as the Village of "Erhard" under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner Snowberg who moved its adoption and seconded by Commissioner Gunderson at a regular meeting of the County Commissioners of said County of Otter Tail held in the commissioners' room at the Court House in the City of Fergus Falls on the 13th day of September 1949. Upon roll being called the vote was as follows:

Ayes: 5

Nays: none

The same was thereupon declared duly adopted

Dated 13th September, 1949

Attest

William Lincoln  
Auditor.

George Hanson  
Chairman.



NOTICE OF ELECTION OF VOTERS RESIDING WITHIN THE  
TERRITORY DESCRIBED BELOW ON THE QUESTION OF IN-  
CORPORATION OF SAID TERRITORY AS VILLAGE OF  
"ERHARD".

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the voters residing within the following des-  
cribed territory situated in the County of Otter Tail and State of Minnesota,  
to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter ( $S\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section  
Twenty-one (21), the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter  
(SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-two (22), the West Half of the North-  
west Quarter ( $W\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-seven (27), the North-  
east Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-eight (28), all in Erhards  
Grove Township, being Township One Hundred Thirty-five (135),  
North of Range Forty-three (43) West of the Fifth Principal  
Meridian and including all platted and unplatted lands within  
said description which includes the property designated as the  
original plat of Erharts, Lakeside Addition to Erharts and  
Thompson's Addition to Erharts, all according to the recorded  
plats thereof.

That an election will be held in the Town Hall of the Town of Erhards Grove  
within the above described territory on Thursday (day of week),  
the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1949, between the hours of 12:00  
o'clock noon and 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day for the pur-  
pose of voting upon the proposition of incorporating the above described  
property as a village to be known as the Village of "Erhard" under the laws  
of the State of Minnesota.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the polls will be opened at 12:00 o'clock  
noon of said day and will close at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

Given under my hand and seal this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September,  
1949, and posted and published by order of the Board of County Commissioners  
of the County of Otter Tail and State of Minnesota.

WILLIAM LINCOLN  
County Auditor.

State of Minnesota)  
                                  )<sup>ss</sup>  
County of Otter Tail)

Albert G. Solum, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 16th day of September 1949 he posted a copy of the attached notice of election together with a copy of petition for the incorporation of the Village of Erhard in each of the following places within the territory proposed to be incorporated, to-wit: One copy at Town Hall of the Town of Erhards Grove and one copy at Peterson's Restaurant and one copy at Erhard State Bank.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of September 1949.

Albert G. Solum

Lester Wm. Thompson

Lester Wm. Thompson

Notary Public, Otter Tail County, Minn.

My Commissioner Expires April 27, 1952

(seal)

Filed in my office Sept. 17, 1949

William Lincoln  
County Auditor

CERTIFICATE OF JUDGES OF  
ELECTION OF VOTERS RESIDING  
WITHIN TERRITORY PROPOSED TO  
BE INCORPORATED AS VILLAGE OF  
"ERHARD"

The undersigned duly appointed, qualified and acting judges of the election of voters residing within the territory situated in the County of Otter Tail and State of Minnesota described as follows, to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter ( $S\frac{1}{2} SE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-one (21), the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter ( $SW\frac{1}{4} SW\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-two (22), the West Half of the Northwest Quarter ( $W\frac{1}{2} NW\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-seven (27), the Northeast Quarter ( $NE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Twenty-eight (28), all in Erhards Grove Township, being Township One Hundred Thirty-five (135) North of Range Forty-three (43) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian and including all platted and unplatted lands within said description which includes the property designated as the original plat of Erharts, Lakeside Addition to Erharts and Thompson's Addition to Erharts, all according to the recorded plats thereof,

hereby certify and return as follows:

I.

That said election was held at the Town Hall of the Town of Erhards Grove, Otter Tail County, Minnesota, and within the territory described above on the 6 day of October, 1949; that the polls were opened promptly at 12:00 o'clock noon and closed promptly at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon and were open at all times between said hours; that only voters residing within the above described territory voted at said election; that so far as practicable the election was conducted in accordance with the laws regulating the election of town officers and in accordance with Chapter 119, Laws of Minnesota of 1949. That said judges have canvassed the ballots cast with the following result:

Number of votes cast for incorporation 56

Number of votes cast against incorporation 16

2 ballots spoiled

II.

That this certificate is signed and verified for the purpose of filing the same with the County Auditor in compliance with Chapter 119, Laws of Minnesota 1949 and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, if any.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Said judges have hereunto affixed their hands and signatures this 6 day of October, 1949.

Albert Sundblad

Albert G. Solum

Lester Wm. Thompson

STATE OF MINNESOTA)  
COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL) ss.

Albert Sundblad, Albert G. Solum and Lester Wm. Thompson, being by me first duly sworn, depose and say that they are the three judges of election who made and executed the foregoing certificate; that they have read the same and know the contents thereof and that the same is true of their own knowledge.

Albert Sundblad

Albert G. Solum

Lester Wm. Thompson

(seal)

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 6 day of October, 1949.

Roy Fossen

**Roy Fossen**

Notary Public, Otter Tail County, Minn.  
My Commission expires Jan. 25, 1954

Filed in my office  
Oct. 8 - 1949

William Lincoln  
County Auditor.

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Incorporation  
of the  
Village of  
Erhard

Filed in my office  
Oct 11-1949  
William Lincoln  
County Auditor  
Otter Tail County  
Minnesota

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
FILED  
OCT 13 1949  
*Mark Wilson*  
Secretary of State