To the Hon. the Secretary of State, and the Attorney. General of the State of Minnesota.

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Sirs: -

Please take Notice, that I, Victor Soderstrom, of No. 11, Fast Superior street, in the City of Duluth, County of St. Louis and State of Minnesota, have applied to the General Land Office, of the Department of the Interior of the United States for the survey of a certain island, lying and being near the north-east corner of the North-east quarter of the North-east quarter of Section Thirty-five, in Township Sixty-three, North, of Range Sixteen, West, of the 4th P. M. of Minnesota, said island being in Lake Vermillion, in the County of St. Louis aforesaid.

My contention is, and my application is based on the theory that in the year 1858, when Minnesota was admitted as a State into the union, said island existed, and was not swamp land; the said described Northeast quarter of the North-east quarter contains about 27.50 acres of land, and 12.50 acres thereof, not including said island, are the waters of said Vermillion Lake; said island contains about 1 acre of ground; the nearest shoreline therefrom is about 140 feet; the shores of the island, at high water mark, are about 2 feet above the surface of the calm waters of said lake, and the highest point of the island is about 8 feet above the surface of the lake; the surveyed Land opposite said island and nearest thereto, owned by one R. W. Nichols, who has been duly notified of my application for survey lies about 140 feet from the southerly point of said island, in a southerly direction therefrom. Under the ruling of the said General Land Office, you have thirty

days from the date of receipt of this notice within which to file in said General Land Office any objections the State of Minnesota may have to the survey of the said island.

> Dated this <u>22</u> day of March, 1917. Respectfully submitted,

> > Applicant for survey.

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