RED LAKE COUNTY COURTS

DIVISIONS:

RED LAKE FALLS, MINNESOTA June 10, 1971

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Arlen I. Erdahl Secretary of State State of Minnesota State Capitol St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Erdahl:

I enclose with this letter Original and three copies of a consent and oath of office.

It is my understanding that the County Court Bill was signed by the Governor on Monday June 7, 1971, and that it is now finally enacted into law.

I believe the provisions of the law make the Marshall, Red Lake and Pennington County District effective immediately upon final enactment.

After reviewing a document which purports to be the law as passed by the legislature it is my belief that it is necessary for the enclosed consent and oath to be filed with your office. The law further appears to provide that a certified copy of the Oath must be filed with the County Auditor of each county in the District.

At the present I hold the office of <u>Probate Judge</u> in the Marshall-Red Lake County District. According to my best information and belief the office of Probate Judge in Pennington County is wacant. The vacancy following the resignation of Stanley Mortenson was not filled. According to the provisions of the Law existing Probate Judges fill the offices of <u>County Court Judges</u>. It would then appear that I am the only Probate Judge resident in the District.

If you find this document in order I ask that you certify the three copies and return them to me so that they can be filed in the respective Counties and the Court can be placed in operation.

If you believe these papers are not in conformity with the law please reply and make your reccomendations as to how this should be accomplished.

Sincerely, Haven A. Harren Judge of Probate Court Marshall and Red Lake County District

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CONSENT

J. A. Harren hereby certifies that he is the duly elected, qualified and acting Judge of the Probate Court- Marshall and Red Lake Counties. That the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota delivered to him a certificate of Election dated November 30, 1970, for a 6 year term to said office to begin on the date provided in the Minnesota Constitution in the month of January, 1971. That pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Law amending Section 525.01 and Section 260.311 of Minnesota Statutes (commonly known as the County Court Act) the counties of Marshall, Red Lake and Pennington were combined into a district, such combination to be effective immediately upon final enactment. Said Law further provides that Probate Judges in office at the effective date of the law shall be the County Court Judge but requires that the Probate Judge who is first eligible shall file his consent in the office the Secretary of State.

J. A. Harren believes that he is the only Probate Judge resident within the District and hereby consents to be the Judge of the County Court for the District of Marshall, Red Lake and Pennington Counties.

OATH

STATE OF MINNESOTA) COUNTY OF RED LAKE)

I, J. A. Harren, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, and that I will faithfully execute and discharge the duties of the Office of Judge of the County Court of the Marshall, Red Lake and Pennington County District, according to law and to the best of my ability and understanding. J. a. Haven

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of June, 1971. County Auditor, Red Lake County, Minnesota

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