STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA ORDER NO. 3

WHEREAS THE LANDS DESCRIBED AS:

All that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 115 North, Range 17 West, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying northerly of the northerly right-of-way of the undesignated public road, formerly known as Minnesota Highway 291;

Also, all that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 115 North, Range 17 West, lying northerly of the northerly right-of-way of the undesignated public road, formerly known as Minnesota Highway 291;

Also, all that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 115 North, Range 17 West, bounded by the following described lines:

> Commencing at the east quarter corner of said Section 34; thence northerly, a distance of 1454.93 feet on and along the east line of said Section 34 to the point of beginning;

Thence westerly, deflecting to the left 73° 36' 33", a distance of 236.75 feet;

Thence westerly, deflecting to the left 10° 47' 46", a distance of 574.26 feet;

Thence southwesterly, deflecting to the left 18° 48' 24", a distance of 112.06 feet;

Thence northwesterly, deflecting to the right 93° 00' 48", a distance of 124 feet, more or less, to a point on the southerly right-of-way line of Minnesota Highway 291;

Thence easterly on and along said southerly right-of-way line of Minnesota Highway 291 to its intersection with the east line of said Section 34;

Thence southerly on and along said east line of Section 34 to the point of beginning;

Also, all that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 35, Township 115 North, Range 17 West, lying northerly of the following described line:

> Commencing at the west quarter corner of said Section 35; thence northerly a distance of 1454.93 feet on and along the west line of said Section 35 to the point of beginning; ~204

Thence easterly, deflecting to the right 83° 00' 00" to a point on the east line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and there terminating;

Except that area within the rights-of-way of Minnesota Highway 291, the undesignated public road, formerly known as Minnesota Highway 291, and County State-Aid Highway 54, as they now exist;

all of Dakota County, Minnesota, contain inherent, unique, natural values including about twenty-five acres of marsh land, a series of rocky spring fed ponds, and a steep slope covered with a hardwood forest uncut since 1905;

AND WHEREAS the most effective means by which such lands can be used and protected for educational and research purposes in such manner and by such means as will leave them conserved for future generations, is by designation as a Scientific and Natural Area.

NOW THEREFORE, I ROBERT L. HERBST, Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, do hereby designate the above described lands as the Hastings Scientific and Natural Area.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of NR 300 through and including NR 303 shall apply to the use of the above designated area, except that under the authority of NR 301(a), the use of watercraft, both motorized and otherwise, and fishing and the related removal of fish are allowed upon the waters included therein.

Dated this 16 day of October, 1974.

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

ROBERT L. HERBST Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM & EXECUTION WARREN SPANNAUS Attorney General

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