IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE HONORABLE JAMES F. CROWLEY, JUDGE OF THE COUNTY COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WATONWAN, STATE OF MINNESOTA, FOR RETIREMENT UNDER AND PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTIONS 490.121, SUBDIVISIONS 13 AND 14, AND 490.124, SUBDIVISION 4.

WHEREAS, the Honorable James F. Crowley, Judge of the Watonwan County Court, has heretofore filed with the undersigned Governor of the State of Minnesota his written application for retirement pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 490.121, Subdivisions 13 and 14, and 490.124, Subdivision 4, and

WHEREAS, the said Judge James F. Crowley has indicated in his application that he has become physically incapacitated from performing his judicial duties during the remainder of his term in office, and said condition being attested to by his personal physician, and

WHEREAS, the said Judge James F. Crowley has served as such judge and as such judge of a court of record for the past twenty-three (23) years, and

WHEREAS, the undersigned Governor of the State of Minnesota did, on July 20, 1976, make a determination according to law that the said Judge James F. Crowley has in fact become unable to perform his judicial duties,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, acting pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 490.121, Subdivisions 13 and 14, and Section 490.124, Subdivision 4, do hereby order and direct the retirement of the Honorable James F. Crowley, Judge of the County Court of Watonwan County, Minnesota to become effective at the close of business on August 31, 1976. He shall become entitled thereafter to retirement compensation as provided under the law, and I further direct that this Order be filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota.

Dated this <u>20</u> day of July, 1976, at the State Capitol in the City of St. Paul, State of Minnesota.

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COUNTY COURT WATONWAN COUNTY ST. JAMES, MINNESOTA 56081

JAMES F. CROWLEY JUDGE TELE: 507 375-3811 DIVISIONS:
FAMILY COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
CIVIL DIVISION
GRIMINAL DIVISION

July 7, 1976

Ms. Judi Heaton Office of the Governor State Capitol Building St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: Disability Retirement

Dear Ms. Heaton:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 490, I am writing to request that I be granted a disability retirement. As you will recall, I wrote you in April of this year requesting a disability retirement, and then asked to withdraw that request by letter of May 6, 1976. At the time I withdrew my request for disability retirement, I was hopeful of being able to continue as County Court Judge. Now, however, I have been hospitalized again as a result of a heart attack, and I believe that the public good would best be served by my retirement.

Very truly yours,

James F. Crowley

DRS. MOULTON & PARSONS
502 2nd Ave. So.
PHONE 37 5-8141
ST. JAMES, MINNESOTA
9 July 1976

Judi Heaton Office of the Governor State Capitol Building St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Ms. Heaton:

Re: Judge James F. Crowley St. James, Minnesota 56081

I have been seeing Judge Crowley since 1969 as wrimary care physician. He suffered from a giant follicle lymphoma which is a cancerous growth of the lymph glands. He was treated at the Mayo Clinic of Rochester, Minnesota with apparent good results. In March of 1976, he had a recurrance of his cancer and was again treated at Rochester with radiation. Subsequent to this treatment he began to have severe angina pectoris. On June 19, 1976 he suffered a myocardial infarct and is still hospitialized for his heart condition at Watonwan Memorial Hospital in St. James, Minnesota.

It is my feeling, with reasonable medical certainty, that Judge Crowley is totally disabled and will continue to be so disabled for the foreseeable future.

He has given us an enviable record locally as a Judge and we are sorry to lose him.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Parsons, M. D.