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Mayor

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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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November 30, 1978

Ms. Joan Grove
Secretary of State
State Capitol
St. Paul, Minnesota 55055

Dear Ms. Grove:

Attached for filing in your office is a Certified Copy of a resolution of the St. Paul City Council, C.F. No. 272037, and an amendment to the St. Paul City Charter providing that all elections for the office of Mayor and Council be held on a nonpartisan basis, with no party designation on the ballot for such offices.

Very truly yours,

Rose Mix,
City Clerk

attach.

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SECRETARY OF STATE
ELECTION DIVISION

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Joan Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

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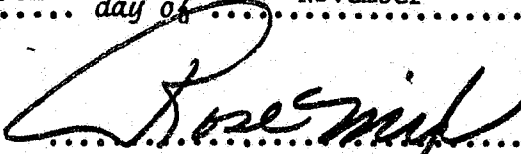
STATE OF MINNESOTA)
County of Ramsey) ss.
CITY OF SAINT PAUL)

I, Rose Mix City Clerk
of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota, do hereby certify that
I have compared the attached copy of Council File No. 272037
as adopted by the City Council November 14, 1978
and approved by the Mayor November 16, 1978
with the original thereof on file in my office.

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I further certify that said copy is a true and correct copy
of said original and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the City of Saint Paul,
Minn. this 29th day of November A.D. 1978


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City Clerk.

WHITE - CITY CLERK
PINK - FINANCE
CANARY - DEPARTMENT
BLUE - MAYOR

CITY OF SAINT PAUL

Council File NO. 277037

Council Resolution
Van Dyke - Adams

Presented By _____

Referred To _____ Committee: _____ Date _____

Out of Committee By _____ Date _____

Whereas, The Council of the City of Saint Paul has duly canvassed the returns of the votes cast at the County and State General Election held in said City on the 7th day of November, 1978, upon the ratification or rejection of an Amendment to the City Charter to provide that all elections for the office of mayor and council be held on a non-partisan basis, with no party designation on the ballot for such offices, and

Whereas, It appears from said returns and the canvass thereof that 39,902 voted in favor of the adoption of said Amendment to the City Charter and 27,575 voted against the adoption thereof, and

Whereas, Minnesota Statutes, Section 410.12, provides that such Amendment to the City Charter must be approved by a 51% vote of those lawfully voting thereon, and 59.13% of those lawfully voting thereon voted in favor of such approval, therefore, be it

Resolved, That said Amendment to the City Charter is hereby declared to have received in excess of 51% favorable votes of the votes cast at the said Election, and to have been adopted, and be it

Resolved Further, That a certified copy of the Amendment and a certified copy of this resolution signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk, shall be filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota, and a certified copy of the Amendment and a certified copy of this resolution, signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk, be recorded with the Register of Deeds of Ramsey County, State of Minnesota.

COUNCILMEN

Yeas		Nays	
Butler		<u>5</u>	In Favor
Hozza			
Hunt		<u>0</u>	Against
Levine			
Maddox			
Showalter			
Tedesco			

Adopted by Council: _____ Date NOV 14 1978

Certified Passed by Council Secretary
By Rose Spink

Approved by Mayor: _____ Date NOV 16 1978

By George Salmer

PUBLISHED NOV 25 1978

Requested by Department of: _____

By _____

Form Approved by City Attorney

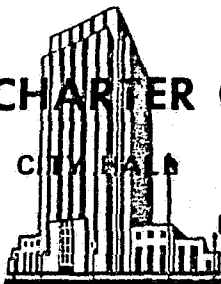
By [Signature]

Approved by Mayor for Submission to Council

By _____

SAINT PAUL CHARTER COMMISSION

SAINT PAUL,



MINNESOTA 55102

RESOLUTION OF THE SAINT PAUL CHARTER COMMISSION

WHEREAS, The Saint Paul Charter Commission, pursuant to the Saint Paul City Council resolution, C.F. No. 271604, adopted August 8, 1978, was requested to hold hearings on the subject of alley filing and party designation in Saint Paul city elections, and

WHEREAS, The Charter Commission conducted a special meeting on August 31, 1978, to consider the subject matter of alley filing and party designation and conducted a Public Hearing on September 13, 1978, on the subject matter of alley filing and party designation and received testimony and views from many persons and organizations, including public officials, and

WHEREAS, It appears that alley filing and party designation went into effect in the Saint Paul City Elections as a result of acts of the State Legislature, subsequent to the adoption of the present City Charter, and

WHEREAS, Alley filing and party designation involve two separate and distinct principles of government and should be considered separately, and

WHEREAS, The question of alley filing requires additional study and will be further considered at future meetings of the Charter Commission, but it appears that there is significant support for a proposal to allow the electorate to determine whether or not there should be party designation at city elections and that the question should be presented to the electorate at an election which will be participated in by a large number of the electorate,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter Commission of the City of Saint Paul hereby proposes that the Charter of the City of Saint Paul be amended to abolish the general law requirement of partisan or party designation for elections for the offices of mayor and city council member; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council is requested to fix the form of the ballot and publish the amendment as required by law; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposed amendment shall read as

follows:

Section 1.

New Section 7.09, to be included in Chapter 7 of the City Charter, is hereby adopted, to read as follows:

"Sec. 7.09. Nonpartisan Election. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all elections for the office of mayor or council member shall be held on a nonpartisan basis, with no party designation on the ballot for such offices."

Section 2.

Section 7.08 of the City Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 7.08 Election Procedure. Except where in conflict with the provisions of this charter, The the conduct and procedure of all elections shall be governed by applicable statutes, together with supplementary ordinances passed by the council."

Section 3.

These amendments to the City Charter shall take effect in 30 days from the date of the election at which such are approved in accordance with law.

Adopted: September 13, 1978