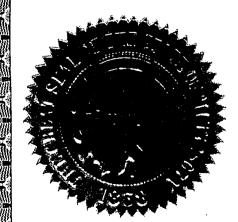


To All To whom These Presents Shall Come, Greetings; Whereas, a certified copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Lac Qui Parle County has been filed for record in the office of the Secretary of State, on the 7th day of March, 1983, for the incorporation of the Lac Qui Parle Regional Railroad Authority under and in accordance with

the provisions of Chapter 616, Laws of Minnesota for 1980;

Now, Therefore, I, Joan Anderson Growe, Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the powers and duties vested in me by law, do hereby certify that effective this date, the corporate existence was created for the above named regional railroad authority as a political subdivision and local government unit of Minnesota.



WITNESS my official signature hereunto subscribed and the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota hereunto affixed this 7th day of March, 1983 A.D.

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March 7, 1983

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Joan Anderson Growe Secretary of State 180 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

RE: Lac qui Parle Regional Rail Authority

Dear Ms. Growe:

Enclosed is Resolution For The Lac Qui Parle Regional Rail Authority, Certificate of Recording Officer of Lac qui Parle County, Affidavit of Publication in Dawson Sentinel, and Affidavit of Publication in The Western Guard. Also enclosed is an Affidavit of Mailing of Notice to the governing bodies of all municipalities in the county. Please issue your certificate of incorporation.

John M. Tollefson

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JMT:ks Enc. CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER OF LAC QUI PARLE COUNTY, MINNESOTA

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting County Auditor of lac qui Parle County, Minnesota, and recording officer of Lac qui Parle County, Minnesota, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 1st day of March, 1983, there was filed in my office the original Resolution For The Lac Qui Parle Regional Rail Authority adopted on March 1, 1983, by the governing body of the County of Lac qui Parle; a full true and correct copy thereof is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County Auditor this 15t day of March, 1983.

Raymond L. Olson, County Auditor and Recording Officer of Lac qui Parle County, Minnesota.

EXHIBIT A

RESOLUTION FOR THE LAC QUI PARLE REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner

 Robert Bleeke
 and seconded by Commissioner

 Morris Benson
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WHEREAS, under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes §398A.01 to 398A.09 (Laws 1980, Chapter 616) the legislature of the State of Minnesota has authorized counties, using State and Federal aids as may be available, to organize by resolution regional rail authorities for the purpose of preserving and improving local rail service for agriculture, industry, and passenger traffic when determined to be practical and necessary for the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lac Qui Parle, a body politic and corporate under the laws of the State of Minnesota, has determined that a regional rail authority acting under Laws 1980, Chapter 616, is necessary for the purpose of preserving and improving local railroad service and that the preservation of such railroad service is in the best interests of the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lac Qui Parle desires to establish an organization for the purpose of advancing the objectives and powers of Laws 1980, Chapter 616, and at the same time maintaining, to the extent feasible and practicable, the autonomy and authority of the County; and WHEREAS, notice of public hearings upon the

adoption of this organizational resolution has been published in the official county newspaper and has been mailed to the governing body of each municipality within Lac Qui Parle County, all at least 30 days before the hearings before the governing body of Lac Qui Parle County, as required by Minnesota Statute §398A.03, Subd. 2;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Lac Qui Parle Regional Rail/Authority is hereby established and organized under the Regional Railroad Authorities Act, Laws 1980, Chapter 616, as a political subdivision and local government unit of the State of Minnesota, to exercise thereunder part of the sovereign power of the State of Minnesota in conformity with the provisions of this resolution for the regulation of the business of the Authority.

2. That the county adopting this organizational resolution is the County of Lac Qui Parle.

3. That the Board of Commissioners of the Authority shall consist of five members, all of whom are to be appointed by the governing body of the County of Lac Qui Parle. The first Board of Commissioners of the Authority shall consist of five members whose names and addresses are as follows:

Name

Robert Bleeke

Address

620 Parkview Lane Madison, MN 56256 Name

Address

Keith R. Springer

Morris Benson

Otto Schmidt

Tom Collins

P. O. Box 438 Dawson, MN 56232

1044 Walnut St. Dawson, MN 56232

323 W. Schlieman Ave. Appleton, MN 56208

511 Walnut St. Dawson, MN 56232

4. That the registered office of the Authority shall be situated in the City of Dawson, Minnesota.

5. That neither the State of Minnesota, nor any county or counties, nor any other political subdivision is, or shall be, liable for obligations of the Authority.

6. That the Authority shall exercise such authority as provided in Minnesota Statute Chapter 398A in conducting the business of the Authority.

7. That this organizing resolution may be amended by resolution of the governing body of the County of Lac Qui Parle, which amendment shall be adopted at or after a hearing upon notice as required by the provisions of Minnesota Statute Chapter 398A.03, Subd. 2 and Subd. 4, the same procedures as required for this organizational resolution. No amendment releasing the County of Lac Qui Parle from its obligations as a party named herein shall be effective unless all covenants, agreements, mortgage liens, and other security given for bonds of the Authority have been discharged

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and satisfied by payment or otherwise in accordance with their terms.

8. That upon termination of this Authority, any property or funds acquired by the Authority shall be distributed to the parties in the proportion that each party contributed to the cost of such property or funds.

9. That the provisions contained in this resolution are severable, and in the event that any of the provisions contained herein shall be found invalid, illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, this resolution shall be interpreted as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions were not contained herein.

Upon being put to a vote on the above resolution, all voted "yes". Motion passed.

3-1-83

Lyle Hanson, Chairman

Augmond J Olson Raymond L. Olson, County Auditor

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March 3, 1983

Kathy Cavanaugh Countryside Public Health Box 313 Benson, Mn 56215

Dear Kathy:

I have been instructed by the Lac qui Parle County Commissioners to notify you that a motion was made and passed to waive the penalty in connection with the late filing of Phil Miller's Application. I understand that Mr. Miller is willing to pay for the regular fee for 1982 and has already paid for the 1983 fee license. Would you please issue the license.

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John M. Tollefson

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PRINTERS AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MINNESOTA, County of Lac qui Parle

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Lac Qui Parle County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing at 2:30 p.m., March 1, 1983, in the court room at the Lac qui Parle County Courthouse in the City of Madison, Minnesota, regarding the adoption of a resolution establishing a Lac Qui Parle Regional Railroad Authority, which authority would have the power to provide for the preservation and improvement of local rail service for agriculture, industry or passenger traffic when determined to be practical and necessary for the public welfare, particularly in the case of aban-donment of local rail lines. The proposed resolution is on file at the office. of the Lac qui Parle County Auditor and is available for inspection. A copy will be furnished apon request.

Dated: January 20, 1983 Raymond L. Olson County Auditor 1te

Norman Bacon, being duly sworn, on oath, says he is and during all the times herei: stated has been the publisher and printer of the newspaper known as Dawson Sentinel, and has full knowledge of the facts herein stated as follows: (1) Said newspaper is printed in the English language in newspaper format and in column and sheet form equivalent in printed space to at least 900 square inches. (2) Said newspaper is a weekly and is distributed at least once each week. (3) Said newspaper has 50% of its news columns devoted to news of local interest to the community which it purports to serve and does not wholly duplicate any other publication and is not made up entirely of patents, plate matter and advertisements. (4) Said newspaper is circulated in and near the municipality which it purports to serve, has at least 500 copies regularly delivered to paying subscribers, has an average of at least 75% of its total circulation currently paid or no more than three months in arrears and has entry as second-class matter in its local post-office. (5) Said newspaper purports to serve the City of Dawson in the County of Lac qui Parle and it has its known office of issue in the City of Dawson in said county, established and open during its regular business hours for the gathering of news, sale of advertisements and sale of subcriptions and maintained by publisher of said newspaper or persons in his employ and subject to his direction and control during all such regular business hours and at which said newpaper is privied (6) Said newspaper files a copy of each issue immediately with the State Historical Society. (7) Said newspaper has complied with all the foregoing conditions for at least two years preceding the day or dates of publication mentioned below. (8) Said newspaper has filed with the Secretary of State of Minnesota prior to January 1, 1966, and each January 1 thereafter an affidavit in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State and sig-ed by the publisher of newspaper, and sworn to before a notary public stating that the newspaper is a legal newspaper.

He further states on oath that the printed Resolution Establishing

regional Railroad Authority etc

hereto attached as a part hereof was cut from the columns of said newspaper, and was printed ard published therein in the English language, once each week,

for _____ one _____ successive weeks; that it was so published on Thursday

and published on every Thursday to and including the

day of ______ of 19____ and that the following is a printed copy of the lower case alphabet from A to Z, both inclusive, and is hereby accknowledged as being the size and kind of type used in the composition and publication of said notice, to-wit:

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 74 m Notary, public, Lac. qui Parle County, Minnesota ELDONA M. BAGON My Dawson, Minnesota NOTARY PUBLIC-MINNESOTA LAC QUI PARLE COUNTY My Cm'esion "xn res 6-21-87.

Affidavit of Publication

Jan. 26 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Lac quis Parle County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing at 2:30 p.m., March 1, 1983, in the court room at the Lac qui Parle County Courthouse in the City of Madison, Minnesota, regarding the adoption of a resolution establishing a Lac qui Parle Regional Railroad Authority, which authority would have the power to pro-vide for the preservation and improvement of local rail service for agriculture, industry or passenger traffic when determined to be practical and necessary for the public welfare, par-ticularly in the case of abandonment of local rail lines. The proposed resolution is on file at the office of the Lac qui Parle County Auditor and is available for inspection. A copy will be furnished upon request.

Dated: January 20, 1983 Raymond L. Olson **County Auditor**

STATE OF MINNESOTA } ss. County of Lac qui Parle

<u>Alvin A. Henningsgaard</u>

<u>Alvin A. Henningsgaard</u>, being duly sworn on oath says: that he now is, and during all the times herein stated, has been the publisher and printer of the newspaper known as THE WESTERN GUARD, and has full know-ledge of the facts herein stated. That for more than one year immediately prior to the publication therein of the

That for more than one year immediately prior to the publication therein of the printed _Notice_of_Public_Hearing_______hereto attached said newspaper was printed and published in the English language from its known office of publication within the City of Madison, in the County of Lac qui Parle, State of Minnesota, on Thursday of each week, in column and sheet form equiv-alent in space of 450 running inches of single column two inches wide; has been issued from a known office established in said place of publication, equipped with skilled workmen and the necessary material for preparing and printing the same; has had in its makeup not less than twenty-five per cent of its news columns de-voted to local news of interest to said community it purports to serve, the press work of which has been done in its said known office of publication; has contained general news, comments and miscellany; has not duplicated any other publication; has not been entirely made up of patents, plate matter and advertisements; has been circulated at and near its said place of publication to the extent of 240 copies, regularly delivered to paying subscribers; has been entered as second class mail matter in the local postoffice of its said place of publication; that there has been on file in the office of the County Auditor of said County the affidavit of a person having first hand knowledge of the facts constituting its qualification as a news-paper for publication of legal notices; and that its publishers have complied with all demands of said County Auditor for proofs of its said qualification. And that a copy of each issue has been filed with the State Historical Society.

That the printed <u>Notice of Public Hearing</u> hereto attached as a part hereof was cut from the columns of said newspaper; was one published therein in the English language once each week for .

week_; that it was first so published on the <u>26th</u> day of <u>Jan</u>.

19_83, and thereafter on Thursday of each week to and including the _____ day

of _____, 19_____, and that the following is a copy of the lower case alphabet which is acknowledged to have been the size and kind of type used in the publication of said __Notice of Public_Hearing

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF LAC QUI PARLE

IN RE: REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF LAC QUI PARLE

Kathryn Schacherer being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that on the 26th day of January, 1983, at Dawson in said County and State she mailed a NOTICE OF HEARING, a copy of which is attached hereto, to the governing body of each municipality in the county, whose name and address are known to affiant, after exercising due diligence in ascertaining the correctness of said name and address, by placing it in a sealed envelope, postage prepaid and depositing the same in the U.S. mails at Dawson, Minnesota, 56232, and addressed to the following:

Agassiz Township Charles Cybevik, Clerk Rl Box 24 Bellingham, MN 56212

Arena Township Leo F. Haas, Clerk R3 Box 182 Madison, MN 56256

Augusta Township Clifford Haas, Clerk Rl Box 17 Nassau, MN 56272

Baxter Township Verdie Heieren, Clerk R4, Box 150 Montevideo, MN 56265

Camp Release Township Barbara F. Falk, Clerk R4 Box 194 Montevideo, MN 56265

Cerro Gordo Township Wayne Dahl, Clerk R2 Box 45 Dawson, MN 56232

Freeland Township Gerald Lindberg, Clerk R3 Box 224 Canby, MN 56220

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Garfield Township Lorraine Connor, Clerk R3 Box 115 Madison, MN 56256

Hamlin Township Kenneth D. Nelson, Clerk R3 Box 73 Madison, MN 56256

Hantho Township Philip Nygard, Clerk R2 Box 84 Madison, MN 56256

Lac qui Parle Township Karl DeJong, Clerk R2 Box 80 Dawson, MN 56232

Lake Shore Township Osborne Morken, Clerk Rl Box 56 Louisburg, MN 56254

Madison, Township Lawrence Haas, Clerk Box 106 R2 Madison, MN 56256

Manfred Township Elmer Hubbs, Clerk R5 Box 31 Canby, MN 56220 Maxwell Township Wallace O. Miller R1 Box 106B Dawson, MN 56232

Mehurin Township David E. Aamold, Clerk Rl Box 179 Marietta, MN 56257

Perry Township Charles Trygestad, Clerk Rl Box 5 Bellingham, MN 56212

Providence Township George Vick, Clerk Rl Box 161 Dawson, MN 56232

Riverside Township Henry Thompson, Clerk R2 Box 184 Dawson, MN 56232

Ten Mile Lake Township Paul Strand, Clerk Rl Box 119A Boyd, MN 56218 Walter Township Walter Maatz, Clerk Rl Box 152 Bellingham, MN 56212 Yellow Bank Township Robert Reiffenberger, Clerk Melva Larson, Clerk R1 Box 98 Bellingham, MN 56212

City of Bellingham Dick Ohm, Clerk Bellingham, MN 56212

City of Boyd Blanche Benson, Clerk Boyd, MN 56218

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City of Madison William Lavin, Clerk Madison, MN 56256

City of Louisburg Richard Johnson, Clerk Louisburg, MN

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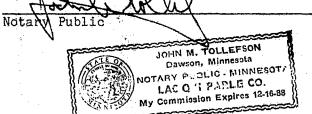
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City of Nassau Marion Goetsch Nassau, MN

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2440 (pay of Ganuary, 1983. Λ



January 24, 1983

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 398.03, Subd.2, NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU of a public hearing to be held March 1, 1983, at 2:30 P.M. The hearing will be held in the courtroom at the Lac qui Parle County Courthouse in Madison, Minnesota. The hearing will be held regarding the adoption of a Resolution establishing a Lac qui Parle Regional Railroad Authority, which authority would have the power to provide for the preservation and improvement of local rail service for agriculture, industry or passenger traffic when determined to be practical and necessary for the public welfare, particularly in the case of abandonment of local rail lines. The proposed resolution is on file at the office of the Lac qui Parle County Auditor and is available for inspection. A copy will be furnished upon request.

If you have any questions, please contact John M. Tollefson, Lac qui Parle County Attorney, P.O. Box 269, Dawson, Minnesota, 56232, Phone 612-769-4498.

> Raymond L. Olson Lac qui Parle County Auditor

John M. Tollefson Lac qui Parle County Attorney

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