STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA ORDER NO. 37

ESTABLISHING THE PRAIRIE COTEAU SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA

WHEREAS, THE LANDS DESCRIBED IN PIPESTONE COUNTY, MINNESOTA AS: All that portion of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township One Hundred Eight (108) North, Range Forty-four (44) West, lying West of the Burlington Northern Railroad right-of-way, are under the control and possession of the Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, such lands contain undisturbed examples of Glacial
Till Hill Prairie and Wet Prairie maintaining themselves under
prevailing natural conditions typical of Minnesota, and the habitat
supporting the following rare, endangered or restricted plants
and animals; Hesperia ottoe (Ottoe Skipper Butterfly), Cypripedium
candidum (Small White Lady's Slipper), Botrychium campestre (Prairie
Moonwort), and Aristida tuberculosa (Triple-awned Grass); 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, Joseph N. Alexander, Commissioner of Natural Resources, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, do hereby designate the above-described area as the Prairie Coteau Scientific and Natural Area. Furthermore, Prairie Coteau Scientific and Natural Area is designated as a Public Use Unit, limited to programs

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conducted by qualified scientists and graduate and post-graduate students, programs for primary, secondary, and college undergraduate students, and interpretive programs for the benefit of the general public.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provision of Minn. Rules pts. 6135.4500 through 6135.5000, inclusive, shall apply to the above-designated area.

> JOSEPH N. ALEXANDER, COMMISSIONER Department of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

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