STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA ORDER NO. 41

ESTABLISHING THE YELLOW BANK HILLS SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA

WHEREAS, THE LANDS DESCRIBED IN LAC QUI PARLE COUNTY, MINNESOTA AS:

The East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E 1/2 NE 1/4), Section Four (4), Township One Hundred Eighteen (118), Range Forty-six (46)

are under the control and possession of the Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, such lands contain an undisturbed example of Gravel Prairie maintaining itself under prevailing natural conditions typical of Minnesota, a significant geological feature known as a kame and the habitat supporting the following rare, endangered, or restricted plants and animals; Missouri Milkvetch (Astragalus Missouriensis), Nuttall's Violet (Viola nutallii), Soft Goldenrod (Solidago mollis), and Cutleaf Ironplant (Haplopappus spinulosa); 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 Yellow Bank Hills Scientific and Natural Area. Furthermore, Yellow Bank Hills

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Scientific and Natural Area is designated as a Public Use Unit, limited to programs 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 abovedesignated area.

Dated at Saint Paul, Minnesota this <u>19</u> day of <u>Mar</u> 1987.

JØSEPH N. ALEXANDER, COMMISSIONER Department of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY, III Attorney General

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