STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA ORDER NO. 46

ESTABLISHING THE BLACK LAKE BOG SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA

WHEREAS, THE LANDS DESCRIBED IN PINE COUNTY, MINNESOTA AS:
All those lands in Sections Nineteen (19), Thirty (30) and the
Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) of
Section Eighteen (18), all in Township Forty-five North (45N),
Range Fifteen West (15W), and all those lands in Section Twentyfive (25) and Section Twenty-four (24) (except the Southwest
Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW 1/4 NE 1/4)), and the South
One-half of the South One-half (S 1/2 S 1/2) of Section Thirteen
(13), all in Township Forty-five North (45N), Range Sixteen West
(16W), and all lying east of the Soo Line Railroad right-of-way,
are under the control and possession of the Department of Natural
Resources; and

WHEREAS, such lands contain an extensive undisturbed example of Forest Bog, Open Bog, Poor Fen, and Hardwood Swamp plant communities maintaining themselves under prevailing natural conditions typical of Minnesota, and the habitat supporting the following rare or restricted plants and animals; Mountain Holly (Nemopanthus mucronatus) and American Bittern (Botaurus lentiginosus); and

WHEREAS, the most effective means by which such lands can be used and protected for educational and research purposes in such

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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 Black Lake Bog Scientific and Natural Area. Furthermore, Black Lake Bog 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 above-designated area, except that hunting, fishing, trapping, dogs and non-motorized watercraft are permitted.

Dated at Saint Paul, Minnesota this _____ day of ______, 1987.

JOEPH N. ALEXANDER, COMMISSIONER Department of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

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