





May 26, 1989

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

RE: CONSOLIDATION WITH POLICE/FIRE PERA

Dear Secretary Growe:

The membership of the Rochester Police Relief Association has conducted a referendum to consider consolidation of the Rochester Police Relief Association local pension funds into the Minnesota Public Employees Retirement Association (Police/Fire PERA) and voted for consolidation into the Police/Fire PERA by a vote of 92 yes and 37 no.

On May 15, 1989, the Rochester Common Council approved a resolution giving preliminary approval to continue the process of consolidation of the local pension fund with Police/Fire PERA.

Attached for your review and consideration are the following documents:

- 1) Certificate of Compliance With Procedures Mandated by Laws 1987, Chapter 296, Section 11
- 2) Copy of Resolution Adopted by the Rochester Common Council Giving Preliminary Approval to Continue the Process of Pension Consolidation
- 3) Resolution of the Rochester Police Relief Association/RE: Referendum Procedures
- 4) Letter From Rochester Police Relief Association Dated 5/5/89 Indicating the Results of the Membership Referendum.

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# Rochester Police Relief Association, Inc.

Rochester, Minnesota 55901

President A. Kuehl Vice President P. Donnelly Secretary P. Feind

Board of Directors R. Roberts R. Westra C. Heroff F. Higgins, Ret. P. Utesch, City C. Hazama, City

#### CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

I, the undersigned, being the secretary of the Rochester Police Relief Association, respecttively, do hereby certify that all of the procedures set forth in Laws of Minnesota 1987, Chapter 296, Section 11, were complied with with respect to the approval of an action to consolidate the Rochester Police Relief Association with the Public Employees Retirement Association Police and Fire Fund, as evidenced by the attached documentation.

Date: <u>May 24, 1989</u>

Paul Féind Secretary, Rochester Police Relief Association

### RESOLUTION

A Resolution of Preliminary Municipal Approval to Continue the Process of Consolidation of the Rochester Police Relief Association, Inc. with PERA - Police & Fire

WHEREAS, the Rochester Police Relief Association, Inc. is in compliance with the procedures mandated by Laws 1987, Chapter 296, Section 11 (the Law), as evidenced in the form of annexed hereto as "Exhibit A";

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Rochester that the request of the Board of Directors of Rochester Police Relief Association for preliminary approval to continue the process of consolidation with PERA-Police and Fire is approved.

The City Administrator is authorized and directed to notify the persons as provided by the Law.

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 15th day of May, 1989.

Neever B. Selley President of Said Common Council

Attest

Approved this 16 day of 7704, 1989

ta aind Mayor of Said City

(Seal of the City of Rochester, Minnesota)

#### Resolution of the Board of Directors of

#### The Rochester Police Releif Association

- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1987, Section 353A.04, Subd. 2, a petition was submitted by members of the Rochester Police Relief Association ("Association") to the Board of Directors of such Association ("Board") on January 4, 1989, recommending that the Association be consolidated into the Public Employees Retirement Association Police and Fire Fund, and
- WHEREAS, the Board has authenticated the signatures on such petition and found that the minimum proportion of the Association membership required to initiate such a consolidation has signed such petition, and
- WHEREAS, the Board held a public hearing on the proposed consolidation on March 15, 1989. in L.E.C. Classroom at the Olmsted County Courthouse in Rochester, Minnesota, upon giving published and posted notice of such hearing;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby recommends to the Rochester City Council and the membership of the Association that the Association be consolidated into the Public Employees Retirement Association Police and Fire Fund.
- RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board hereby approves the following procedure for conducting the membership referendum on the consolidation question required by Minnesota Statutes 1987, Section 353A.04. Subd.4:.
  - 1) The Secretary of the Board ("Secretary") shall mail a ballot and related materials on or prior to March 31, 1989, to each active, deferred, retired member of the Association and to the survivors of active, deferred, or retired members of the Association.
  - 2) The mailings sent to the membership by the Secretary shall include:
    - A.) One informational letter in the form attached to this resolution as Exhibit A.
    - B.) A ballot in the form attached to this resolution as Exhibit B.
    - C.) A ballot envelope and a stamped envelope addressed to the Association to be used for returning the ballot.
  - 3) The Association shall receive returned ballots until May 2, 1989; ballots received after May 2, 1989, shall be discarded without opening.
  - 4) Ballots not returned must be counted as No votes.
  - 5) The President of the Association shall bring all envelopes containing ballots which are received by May 2, 1989, to the next Board meeting in a sealed condition. The envelope shall be opened at the Board meeting and counted by the Board members. The results shall be attested to by all Board members present at such meeting by signature on the form attached to this resolution as Exhibit C.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Rochester Police Relief Association at a special meeting held og March 15, 1989.

Charles\_Heroff.

"EXHIBIT A"

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## Rochester Police Relief Association, Inc.

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President A. Kuehl Vice President P. Donnelly Secretary P. Feind

Board of Directors		
R.	Roberts	
R.	Westra	
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Ρ.	Utesch,	City
C.	Hazama,	City

May 5, 1989

Stevan Kvenvold City Administrator City of Rochester

Paul Utesch Finance Director City of Rochester

Dear Sirs:

In January of this year 1989 the Board of Directors of the Rochester Police Relief Association was given a petition by over thirty percent of the membership to initiate the P.E.R.A. consolidation process.

In March 1989 the Board of Directors held informational meetings to explain the P.E.R.A. consolidation question to retiree's and active members.

On March 31, 1989 a ballot was mailed to each member of the Association to vote on the P.E.R.A. consolidation question. The ballots had to be returned by May 2, 1989 at the City Clerks Office.

On May 3, 1989 the Board of Directors had a Board of Directors meeting and counted the returned ballots. The vote was 92 YES votes, 27 NO votes and 10 Not Returned ( these have to be counted as NO votes). So the vote was 92 YES and 37 NO. This is over 71% of the membership who voted YES for consolidation.

The next step is to get the approval of the City Council to continue the P.E.R.A. consolidation question. After the City Council gives its initial approval we will be able to continue the process which is an actuary to see what the costs would be for P.E.R.A. consolidation.

The Board of Directors would like your assistance in getting Council approval to continue the P.E.R.A. consolidation question. If you have any questions please contact one of the Board Members  $a_{12}$  29187

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Sincerely, Daul Faind Paul Feind, Sec'y

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