STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S ORDER NO. 2353

REGULATIONS FOR THE TAKING OF MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS BY FALCONRY

Pursuant to authority vested in me by Minn. Stat. § 978.105 and other applicable law, I, Joseph N. Alexander, Commissioner of Natural Resources, hereby prescribe the following regulations for the taking of migratory game birds by falconry. Such taking shall be subject to the provisions of this order and all other regulations pertaining to the taking, possession, and transportation of migratory game birds, to the extent they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this order. All dates and time periods specified in this order are inclusive, unless otherwise noted.

Section 1. FALCONRY SEASON, LIMITS AND HOURS.

Woodcock, sora and Virginia rails, common snipe, ducks, geese, coots and moorhens (gallinules) may be taken by falconry from September 1 through December 16, except that in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Canada Goose Zone as established by Commissioner's Order and in Olmsted County the taking of Canada geese by falconry is prohibited after December 6. Bag limits are three (3) daily in the aggregate and six (6) in possession in the aggregate. Falconry hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except during the regular waterfowl season when falconry hours are the same as waterfowl shooting hours. No

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person shall hunt by falconry while in possession of, or having under control, any firearm.

Sec. 2. GAME REFUGES AND STATE PARKS.

None of the provisions of this order shall be construed as modifying or superseding any order establishing game refuges within the state nor as permitting the taking of any wild animals within such refuges or within state parks.

Dated at Saint Paul, Minnesota, this 3 day of

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JOSEPH N. ALEXANDER, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

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