

TOWN OF FARM ISLAND
AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA
RESOLUTION # 2006-001

RESOLUTION TO EXEMPT ANNUAL TOWNSHIP ELECTIONS
FROM MANDATED USE OF ASSISTIVE VOTING AND
OPTICAL SCAN TABULATING EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, The Federal Government has enacted the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 to improve the administration of elections throughout the nation by the use of assistive voting equipment and optical scan tabulating equipment: and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has adopted the federal guidelines to extend to state and local elections, and

WHEREAS, HAVA will provide initial federal and state funding for the purchase, maintenance, and storage of required voting equipment, training of election officials and programming of ballots: and

WHEREAS, funding for annual township elections is not addressed by HAVA thus putting an undue financial burden on the townships to comply with the use of the required voting equipment, and

WHEREAS, townships should be allowed to retain the authority to effectively administer their annual township election process,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the TOWN BOARD OF FARM ISLAND, requests the annual township elections be exempt from the state-mandated use of assistive voting equipment and optical scan tabulating equipment.

On motion by Gene Kelling, second by Gary Finlayson, Resolution #2006-001 was passed, all members voting yes, on this 13th day of February, 2006.

Town Board of Farm Island
Roger E. Pearson/Chairman
Gary M. Finlayson/Supervisor
Gene A. Kelling/Supervisor

Attest:

Pamela J. Landgren/Clerk