

# WASIOJA TOWNSHIP

March 15, 2006

Dear Auditor;

At the Annual Wasioja Township Meeting on March 14, 2006 the voters passed the following resolution to be sent to the State Auditor, Senator, and Representative.

## Resolution to Exempt Local Elections from HAVA Requirements

Whereas, the Federal Government passed the Help America Vote Act of 2002 in an effort to accommodate handicap voters in federal elections and the Minnesota Legislature extended the requirements to state and local elections and Whereas, there are federal and state funds available to purchase the assisted voter machines and help purchase optical scan vote tabulating equipment, these funds will not cover the on going costs to operate and program the machines as well as purchasing expensive ballots for local Township elections which together are estimated to cost several hundred dollars per election; and

Whereas, it would be cost prohibitive for most Townships to use the electronic machines for the Annual Township Elections since the per capita cost of using electronic machines would be very high, and because of this were given a temporary exemption until December 31, 2007;

Therefore ~~Be it~~ Resolved, that the Voters of Wasioja Township, Dodge County request that the state exempt local elections from the HAVA mandates for all future local elections including the March Township Elections

Thank You for your Time.

Robert Scherger, Clerk  
Wasioja Township