

STATE OF MINNESOTA Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon

Boundary Correction Order City of Battle Lake

February 23, 2017

The Secretary of State is acting under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 204B.146, subd., 3 to order a correction to the boundary of Legislative Districts 8A and 8B so that this boundary again will be coterminous with the City of Battle Lake municipal boundary.

Battle Lake recently annexed territory contiguous to the city. Because the municipal boundary was also the boundary of Legislative Districts 8A and 8B, the annexed territory is in a different Legislative District than the neighboring portion of Battle Lake. Consequently, without a boundary correction, Minnesota election law requires Battle Lake to create a separate precinct for the annexed territory.

The particular annexations for which the boundary changes are requested:

Resolution	Date	MN MBA Docket	Date
Joint Res.	1/12/2017	OA-1665-1	2/1/2017

The aforementioned annexed territory contains 50 or fewer registered voters. If the boundary of Legislative Districts 8A and 8B again were coterminous with the Battle Lake city boundary, Battle Lake election administration would be greatly eased.

Because this request meets the requirements of *Minnesota Statutes*, section 204B.146, subd. 3, because this change would greatly ease election administration for the City of Battle Lake, and because the resulting precinct boundary change is permitted at this time under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 204B.146, subd. 3, I exercise my authority under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 204B.146, subd. 3, to order a correction to the boundary of Legislative Districts 8A and 8B so that it is coterminous with the new municipal boundary of Battle Lake. The boundary change is effective 28 days after the date of this Order.

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STEVE SIMON Secretary of State