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State of Minnesota

Boundary Correction Order *Minnesota House of Representative Districts 22A and 22B*

Blue Earth County requested that the Secretary of State act under Minnesota Statutes, section 2.91, subdivision 2, to order a correction to the boundary between Minnesota House of Representative Districts 22A and 22B for the reason that the boundary between the two districts is not properly named and is ambiguous.

The portion of the legislative district boundary in question is on the border between Mankato Township and Decoria Township, and the section from where the district boundary departs from the township boundary and follows a portion of County Road 90. This deviation from the township border results in a small portion of Mankato Township being assigned to District 22A, despite the fact that the township is not listed in the report of split political subdivisions adopted by the court. Blue Earth County requests that the boundary between Minnesota House of Representative Districts 22A and 22B be clarified or corrected.

The ambiguity is that the census block 270131713002009 boundary does not fully follow the township boundary, but instead follows in part County Road 90, and the census block crosses the township boundary. However, the court order did not specify that this Mankato Township was one of the jurisdictions that was intended to be split across districts.

Because this legislative district boundary is ambiguous and not properly named in the Special Court Redistricting Panel's description, this request meets the requirements of the Minnesota Statutes, section 2.91, subdivision 2. In order to resolve the ambiguity in favor of creating districts of convenient, contiguous territory of substantially equal population, I exercise my authority under Minn. Stat. § 2.91, subd. 2, to order a correction and correct the boundary between Minnesota House of Representative Districts 22A and 22B between Mankato Township and Decoria Township. The boundary is now to follow the township boundary on the southern boarder of Mankato Township and the norther boarder of Decoria Township. This will result in a small portion of census block 270131713002009, being moved from Minnesota House of Representative District 22A to 22B.



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