STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF AROKA

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DISTRICT COURT

TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In the Matter of the Petition of the Board of Managers of the Rice Creek Watershed District for the Transfer of Judicial Ditch No. 1 of Anoka and Ramsey Counties to said Board.

PETITION UNDER 112.65 Court File No. 6327

TO THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA:

Your petitioners respectfully show:

- I. That the petitioners are the Board of Managers of the Rice Creek Watershed District, said district having been established on January 18, 1972, by the Minnesota Water Resources Board pursuant to petition therefor made by the Boards of County Commissioners of the Counties of Anoka, Ramsey and Washington, Minnesota.
- 2. That said district has employed a chief engineer, other professional assistants and employees as provided by statute and is fully competent and qualified to manage water and its related problems within the boundaries of said district.
- 3. That within the territory of said watershed district is Judicial Ditch No. 1 of Anoka and Ramsey Counties which was established on May 6, 1911. The general area covered by the said ditch system is:

Sections 35 and 35, Township 31 North, Range 23 West of the 5th P.M. (City of Blaine and City of Lexington, Anoka Co. Minnesota) and Sections 4 and 5, Township 30 North, Range 23 West of the 5th P.M. (City of Moundaview and City of Shoreview, Ramsey Co. Minnesota)

4. That this petition is made by the Board of Managers of said
District pursuant to M. S. Section 112.65 which provides that upon
petition to the District Court and upon notice and hearing, the District
Court shall make its order directing that the Managers of a watershed district

take over the affected drainage system(s) unless it appears that it would not be in the public welfare or public interest and would not serve the purpose of Chapter 112.

5. That it appears to your petitioners from their study, observations and experience that to effect proper water management in the territory of the Rice Creek Watershed District, it would be in the public welfare and interest and would serve the purposes of M. S. Chapter 112 if the Court would direct the Managers of the Rice Creek Watershed District to take over the aforesaid drainage systems.

WHEREFORE, Your petitioners pray that upon due and proper notice to all interested persons and after hearing thereon, the Court make its order directing that the Board of Managers of the Rice Creek Watershed District take over the aforesaid Judicial Ditch No. 1 of Anoka and Ramsey Counties with the duty to repair and maintain the same as provided by statute.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF RICE CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT

Pres. of Board

Dated this 75 day of May, 1974.