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PETITION FILE NO. 13746

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TOWN OF CAMPBELL RECEIVED 2219 BAINBRIDGE ST LA CROSSE, WI 54603

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Subject: MATTHEW & MEGAN BINSFELD ANNEXATION

City of La Crosse Legal Department

The proposed annexation submitted to our office on January 30, 2014, has been reviewed and found to be in the public interest. In determining whether an annexation is in the public interest, s. 66.0217 (6), Wis. Stats. requires the Department to examine "[t]he shape of the proposed annexation and the homogeneity of the territory with the annexing village or city and any other contiguous village or city...." so as unincorporated land transitions to city or village status, the resulting boundaries are rational and easy for jurisdictions and residents to follow. The subject petition is for territory that is reasonably shaped and contiguous to the CITY OF LA CROSSE.

Note: The legal description must commence from a monumented corner of the 1/4 section in which the territory being annexed lies; we suggest commencing from the North 1/4 corner of Section 19, as shown on the map included with the petition (ref: s. 66.0217 (1) (c), Wis. Stats.).

The Department reminds clerks of annexing municipalities of the requirements of s. 66.0217 (9)(a), Wis. Stats., which states:

"The clerk of a city or village which has annexed shall file immediately with the secretary of state a certified copy of the ordinance, certificate and plat, and shall send one copy to each company that provides any utility service in the area that is annexed. The clerk shall record the ordinance with the register of deeds and file a signed copy of the ordinance with the clerk of any affected school district..."

State and federal aids based on population and equalized value may be significantly affected through failure to file with the Secretary of State. Please file a copy of your annexing ordinance, including a statement certifying the population of the annexed territory. Please also include the MBR number with your ordinance as this assists with record keeping. Your MBR number is: 13746 The address of the Office of the Secretary of State is:

Annexations and Railroads Division of Government Records Office of the Secretary of State PO Box 7848 Madison WI 53707-7848

Please call me at (608) 264-6102, should you have any questions concerning this annexation review

Sincerely,

Erich Schmidtke, Municipal Boundary Review

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cc: petitioner