

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-12-07**  
**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LEGISLATION PROVIDING DULUTH NORTH  
SHORE SANITARY DISTRICT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Duluth, the Town of Duluth and the Town of Lakewood, all in St. Louis County, Minnesota, in 1999 submitted a petition to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (the "MPCA") requesting creation of the Duluth/North Shore Sanitary District (the "District") pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 115.18 through 115.37 (the "Act").

**WHEREAS**, the MPCA issued an order approving creation of the District (the "Order") and creation of the District was deemed complete under the Act on March 1, 2000.

**WHEREAS**, the District incurred significant debt to finance construction of the sewer system and currently carries long term debt in excess of \$9,600,000 which, with interest, will result in the payment of over \$17,000,000 by 2037.

**WHEREAS**, the creation and operation of the sewer system has resulted in the elimination of discharges from individual sewage treatment systems into Lake Superior thereby providing environmental and aesthetic benefits to all persons who live, visit or recreate on the North Shore of Lake Superior.

**WHEREAS**, legislation providing financial assistance for the District to pay down its debt would result in less financial burden on the District's citizens for a sewer system that provides a benefit to many non-District residents and other citizens of the State of Minnesota.

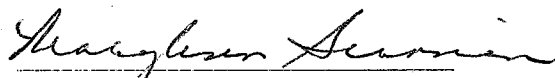
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of the Duluth/North Shore Sanitary District support the drafting and promotion of proposed legislation that would provide financial assistance to the District to pay off or reduce debt incurred to construct its sewer system.

Adopted December 12, 2007



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Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary