An association of acities, schools, towns.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A great deal of income is generated into the economy of the State of Minnesota from the industry of snomobiling; and

WHEREAS, Snowmobilers are a major portion of the winter tourism industry in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The 1978 Wilderness Act and environmental lobbyists have impacted the number of locations a snowmobile can travel; and

WHEREAS, A snowmobile trail "loop" from Lake Vermilion (Tower), to Ely, to Crane Lake, to Cook/Orr, and back to Tower would greatly increase winter tourism in not only these areas but in all of Northeastern Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, No straight line link exists between Ely and Crane Lake, and

WHEREAS, There is total support by the area snowmobile clubs and they are willing to work with the State, County, IRRRB, and any other organizations to make it a reality,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the RANGE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOLS goes on record in support of the development of a snowmobile trail between Crane Lake and Ely closely following the route of County 116, the Echo Trail.

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ADOPTED: This 31st day of March, 1994.