RESOLUTION NO. 2012-03

CITY OF GRANT WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING POLITICAL CANDIDATES AND SUPPORTERS OF STATE AND LOCAL SIGN REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Grant will conduct Primary and General Elections in 2012;

and

WHEREAS, the City of Grant is a politically active community in which residents routinely express their support for candidates by displaying political signs on private property; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has enacted statutes including the Minnesota Outdoor Advertising Control Act regulating the placement, painting, printing or affixing of advertisements including outdoor signage ("State Statutes"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Grant has adopted a sign ordinance regulating the placement of signs within the City's corporate jurisdiction ("City Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Grant's sign ordinance is currently identified as ordinances 32-418, 32-419, 32-420, 32-421 and 32-422 of the Grant Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to notify candidates for political office and their supporters that all campaign signs located in the City prior to and immediately following the Primary or General election are required to strictly comply with the requirements of the State Statute-and the City Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council for the City of Grant as follows:

- 1. All candidates for public office, and their supporters, are hereby notified that all campaign signs erected in the City of Grant are required to comply with the State Statutes and City Ordinance regulating the placement of campaign signs. Where the State Statutes and the City Ordinances overlap or conflict, the State Statutes govern and control the placement of signs within the City of Grant.
- 2. All candidates for public office, and their supporters, are hereby notified that all campaign signs erected in the City of Grant are required to comply with the City Ordinance regulating the placement of signs including, which is currently identified as Ordinances 32-418, 32-419, 32-420, 32-421 and 32-422. To the extent the City Ordinance is modified or amended, all

candidates for public office and their supports are required to comply with the modified and amended ordinances,

- 3. During the period beginning 46 days prior to the State Primary and concluding 10 days following the State General Election, all noncommercial signs of any size may be posted in any number in accordance with Minn, Stat. 211B.045. Aside from the size and number of campaign signs, during such period of time, all posted signs remain subject to the regulation the Statutes and the City Ordinance.
- 4. The City of Grant reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to remove any sign posted in violation of the State Statutes or City Ordinance.

Passed by the City Council for the City of Grant this 7th day of August, 2012.

ATTEST:

Tom Carr, Mayor

Kim Points, City Clerk