

RESOLUTION

Spring Prairie Board of Supervisors
Clay County, Minnesota

WHEREAS, The Federal Government has passed the Help America Vote Act in an effort to improve elections in the nation; and

WHEREAS, local governments should retain authority based on their location and number of registered voters, and

WHEREAS, the counties, cities, and townships in Minnesota are given the authority of providing the election administration on behalf of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, registered voters in Spring Prairie Township number under 200; and

WHEREAS, voter turnout is under 30% for local elections and approximately equal to average voter turnout on general elections; and

WHEREAS, total costs of local elections are less than \$100, and general elections have a total cost of less than \$ 400 ; and

WHEREAS, the Spring Prairie Township Hall is not heated continuously; and

WHEREAS, voting machines and counting machines are bulky and heavy, will need to be delivered from and to an off-site storage area at substantial cost; and

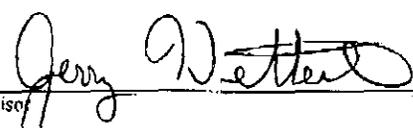
WHEREAS, maintenance, delivery, storage, and programming of voting machines will far exceed costs of our present system and will place a hardship on our budget.

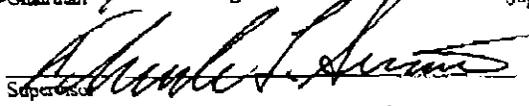
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Supervisors of Spring Prairie Township in Clay County, Minnesota does not support the requirements that every polling place in Minnesota be required to utilize precinct based optical scan and vote tabulating machines as proposed in the House File 1703; and

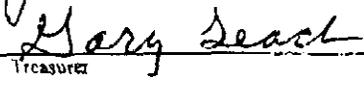
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Board of Supervisors of Spring Prairie Township in Clay County, Minnesota requests a waiver for the mandate of holding local elections on voting machines as proposed in House File 1703.

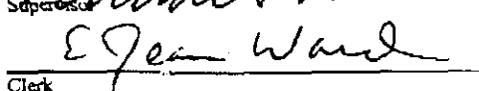
Adopted this 13th day of December, 2005


Chairman


Supervisor


Supervisor


Treasurer


Clerk