STATE OF MINNESOTA IN SUPREME COURT

OFFICE OF APPELLATE COURTS

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ORDER

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of the Sixth Judicial District has notified the Supreme Court of the existence of a vacancy in a referee position in the Sixth Judicial District resulting from the retirement of the Honorable Gerald E. Maher; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of the Sixth Judicial District has requested the conversion of the vacant referee position to a judgeship; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court has considered the weighted caseload indication of judicial need;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §2.722, Subd. 4a (1995) that:

- 1. The vacant referee position shall be converted to a new judgeship position; and
- 2. The judicial vacancy in the Sixth Judicial District shall be, and hereby is, certified to the Governor to be chambered at Duluth in St. Louis County and be filled in the manner provided by law.

BY THE COURT:

Eric J Magnuson

Chief Justice