

1.1 moves to amend H.C.R. No. 2 as follows:

1.2 Delete page 1, line 7, to page 2, line 17, and insert:

1.3 "BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota, the
1.4 Senate concurring, that a plan for redistricting seats in the Legislature or the United States
1.5 House of Representatives will adhere to the following principles:

1.6 (1) [NUMBER OF DISTRICTS.] (a) The Senate must be composed of 67 members.
1.7 The House of Representatives must be composed of 134 members. Each district is entitled
1.8 to elect a single member. Districts must be numbered in a regular series, beginning with
1.9 House district 1A in the northwest corner of the state and proceeding across the state
1.10 from west to east, north to south, but bypassing the 11-county metropolitan area until the
1.11 southeast corner has been reached; then to the 11-county metropolitan area outside the
1.12 cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul; then in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

1.13 (b) A plan for congressional districts must have eight districts, each entitled to elect
1.14 a single member. District numbers must begin with district one in the southeast corner of
1.15 the state and end with district eight in the northeast corner of the state.

1.16 (2) [NESTING.] A representative district may not be divided in the formation of a
1.17 Senate district.

1.18 (3) [EQUAL POPULATION.] (a) Legislative districts must be substantially equal
1.19 in population. The population of a legislative district must not deviate from the ideal by
1.20 more than one percent, plus or minus. The ideal population of a House district is 39,582.
1.21 The ideal population of a Senate district is 79,164.

1.22 (b) Congressional districts must be as nearly equal in population as practicable. The
1.23 ideal population of a congressional district is 662,991.

1.24 (4) [CONTIGUITY; COMPACTNESS.] Districts must be composed of convenient
1.25 contiguous territory. To the extent consistent with the other principles in this resolution,
1.26 districts should be compact. Contiguity by water is sufficient if the water is not a serious
1.27 obstacle to travel within the district. Point contiguity is not sufficient.

2.1 (5) [MINORITY REPRESENTATION.] (a) The dilution of racial or ethnic minority
2.2 voting strength is contrary to the laws of the United States and the state of Minnesota. The
2.3 principles contained in this resolution must not be construed to supersede any provision of
2.4 the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

2.5 (b) A redistricting plan must not have the intent or effect of dispersing or
2.6 concentrating minority population in a manner that prevents minority communities from
2.7 electing their candidates of choice.

2.8 (6) [MINOR CIVIL DIVISIONS.] (a) A county, city, or town must not be unduly
2.9 divided unless required to meet equal population requirements or to form districts
2.10 composed of convenient, contiguous territory.

2.11 (b) A county, city, or town is not unduly divided in the formation of a legislative or
2.12 congressional district if:

2.13 (1) the division occurs because a portion of a city or town is noncontiguous with
2.14 another portion of the same city or town; or

2.15 (2) despite the division, the known population of any affected county, city, or town
2.16 remains wholly located within a single district.

2.17 (7) [PRESERVING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST.] Districts should attempt
2.18 to preserve identifiable communities of interest where that can be done in compliance
2.19 with the preceding principles. "Communities of interest" means recognizable areas with
2.20 similarities of interests, including but not limited to racial, ethnic, geographic, social,
2.21 or cultural interests.

2.22 (8) [DATA TO BE USED.] The geographic areas and population counts used in
2.23 maps, tables, and legal descriptions of the districts must be those used by the Geographic
2.24 Information Services Office of the Legislative Coordinating Commission. The population
2.25 counts are the 2010 block population counts provided to the state under Public Law
2.26 Number 94-171, subject to correction of any errors acknowledged by the United States
2.27 Census Bureau.

2.28 (9) [CONSIDERATION OF PLANS.] A redistricting plan must not be considered
2.29 for adoption by the Senate or House of Representatives until a block equivalency file
2.30 showing the district to which each census block has been assigned, in a form prescribed by
2.31 the director of the Geographic Information Services Office, has been filed with the director.

2.32 (10) [PRIORITY OF PRINCIPLES.] Where it is not possible to fully comply with
2.33 the principles contained in paragraphs (1) to (7), a redistricting plan must give priority to
2.34 those principles in the order in which they are listed in this resolution, except to the extent
2.35 that doing so would violate federal or state law.

2.36 (11) [EXPIRATION.] This resolution expires June 1, 2012."