

***BOARD of COMMISSIONERS
RICE COUNTY, MINNESOTA***

RESOLUTION #20-027

RESOLUTION REQUESTING ONE PRECINCT

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State Constitution declares that the State Legislature may establish Congressional Districts within the State (Minn. Const. Article IV, Sec. 3); and
WHEREAS, Webster Township, Rice County is small government entity with approximately 1,200 voters that is currently divided into two Congressional Districts, with the western portion in the First Congressional District and the eastern portion in the Second Congressional District; and
WHEREAS, the entirety of Webster Township was in one legislative district before 2011; and
WHEREAS, it is important that citizens exercise their right to vote at their local polling place; and

WHEREAS, the Township and County administers local, state and federal elections and the separation of the Township into two Congressional Districts increases the costs of administering elections;
and

WHEREAS, voters within the Township have been confused about which Congressional District they reside in; and

WHEREAS, Webster Township Board has passed Resolution # 2020-1 asking for their Township to be reapportioned to one Congressional District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rice County Board of Commissioner's hereby supports Webster Township request of the Minnesota State Legislature.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rice County Board of Commissioners request the Minnesota State Legislature reapportion the entirety of Webster Township, Rice County into one Congressional District for the administering of state and federal elections.

Dated this 14th day of July, 2020.

RICE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Dave Miller, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Sara Folsted, County Administrator