



RANGE  
ASSOCIATION OF  
MUNICIPALITIES &  
SCHOOLS

An association of  cities,  schools,  towns.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Ely Area Development Council (EADC) is looking to acquire the St. Paul Science Museum Bear Exhibit and establish a permanent home in Ely for this exhibit; and

WHEREAS, the EADC plans to build a permanent center in a cooperative theme with the International Wolf Center of Ely, and create a community education resource capable of reaching worldwide acceptance and participation; and

WHEREAS, the EADC will work in cooperation with government agencies such as the USFS, Minnesota DNR, City of Ely, St. Paul Science Museum, and Vermilion Community College; and

WHEREAS, the EADC will develop a campus concept of related but distinct exhibits that will be the base for future similar but unique exhibits such as a Moose Center, thereby creating the premiere Environmental Learning Center of North America if not the world; and

WHEREAS, the EADC will have a plan in place in time to acquire the Bear Exhibit when it completes its tour on January 4, 1998;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools endorses the EADC's efforts to have Ely designated as the permanent site for the North American Bear Center, recognizing that it will be a valuable addition to the economic and social health of the entire Range area.

By:   
President, R.A.M.S.

Adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 1995.