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**RESOLUTION
of the
CITY OF
MINNEAPOLIS**

By: _____

Extending the expiration date for certain Courtesy Bench licenses.

Whereas, currently-issued licenses and renewal licenses issued pursuant to Chapter 283 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances for the maintenance or erection of courtesy benches on the public streets expire on January 1, 2006; and

Whereas, Minnesota Statutes Section 160.27, Subdivision 2(b) grants to the council of any city the power to grant franchises by public negotiation or bid for the construction, operation or maintenance of such courtesy benches; and

Whereas, City staff from the Department of Public Works, Division of Inspections and the Division of Licenses & Consumer Services are currently and actively working on a potential transformation of courtesy bench regulation in the City from the current system of licensure to a new franchise system; and

Whereas, the public interest is best served by extending the current courtesy bench license term to coincide with the expected timeline for City staff and the City Council to fully analyze, adopt and implement a new courtesy bench franchise system;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That any currently-issued courtesy bench license issued pursuant to Chapter 283 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances shall expire on January 1, 2006 unless the licensee opts prior thereto to extend the term of license through and including June 30, 2006 by paying an extended license fee equal to the amount paid for the current license, pro-rated for the six month extended term;

That the expiration date of any courtesy bench license issued pursuant to Chapter 283 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances for which the licensee opts to extend the term of license in accord with this Resolution shall be extended from January 1, 2006 to July 1, 2006.

Be It Further Resolved that any courtesy bench licensee shall maintain current liability insurance on file with the Division of Licenses & Consumer Services in accord with Chapter 283

of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances and shall in all other respects demonstrate continued compliance with all requirements of law and ordinance.

Be It Further Resolved that this Resolution shall remain in effect until July 1, 2006.