

## TOWN of SCHROEDER

### Resolution #2005-04

**Whereas:** the Help America Vote Act as passed by the Minnesota Legislature requires, in all elections, the use of election equipment which enables all voters, including those with visual and other handicaps, to vote in privacy and to check whether their ballot has been completed correctly, and

**Whereas:** the expense of maintaining, programming, and storage of this equipment, and obtaining ballots which will fit this election equipment, are currently unknown, even if grant monies are adequate to purchase the equipment, and

**Whereas:** Townships hold a local election every year in March, so that the expense of using the election equipment is an annual one, unless the townships use mail-in ballots or change to alternate year November elections, and

**Whereas:** changing the March election may decrease participation in the Annual Township Meeting, our purest form of democracy, and

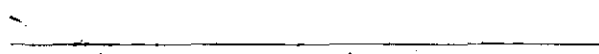
**Whereas:** Township ballots are usually nonpartisan, generally uncomplicated, and not likely to need electronic checking for correctness,

**Therefore be it resolved:** that the annual March township elections be exempted from the election equipment requirements of the Help America Vote Act.

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The motion to adopt this Resolution #2005-04 was made at the October 11, 2005 regular Town Board Meeting by Supervisor Catherine Johnson, seconded by Supervisor Curtis Gubrud, and approved by all three supervisors.

  
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Carol Tveekrem, Clerk

  
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Roger W. McKeever, Chairman