RESOLUITON 2006-3A

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Cottonwood, Minnesota, was held in the Cottonwood Senior Citizens Center in said City on March 6, 2006, at 7 PM. The following members of the Council were present: <u>Mayor Lenz</u>, <u>Council Members</u> Doom, Magnuson and Schultz, and Clerk-Administrator Isaackson

And the following were absent: Council Member Lee

Council Member <u>Schultz</u> introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING MANDATE REFORM IN VARIOUS STATUTES AND RULES.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 6.79 creates a new venue at the Office of State Auditor for mandate reform ideas from cities and other local units of government;

AND WHEREAS, those submitted proposals on mandate relief and reform will be listed on the State Auditor's website, thereby giving local governments another communication tool for expressing their concerns on any given mandate;

AND WHEREAS, the Cottonwood City Council supports the concept of mandate reform and urges the Minnesota Legislature to give serious consideration to all proposals made by Cities, Counties, Townships and School Boards;

AND WHEREAS, the Cottonwood City Council finds mandates in the following Minnesota Statutes to be unfunded/underfunded mandates;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cottonwood City Council does hereby request that the requirements of the following statutes be changed in the following ways:

<u>Workers' Compensation (MS 176)</u> – The enforcement requirements for workers' compensation for local contractors and licensees should be a State responsibility. If cities are required to provide enforcement services for the State, the State should compensate cities for providing such services.