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2.1 WHEREAS, based on \$10 million per year in federal funding, it is estimated it could take
2.2 until 2048 to complete the project, with Worthington not receiving water until 2030; and

2.3 WHEREAS, the prepayment funds by the members and states are either spent or fully
2.4 obligated to current contracts, so the construction schedule for 2011 and beyond will be entirely
2.5 dependent upon future federal funding; and

2.6 WHEREAS, in addition to keeping costs down for the taxpayers, the timely completion
2.7 of the project is very important so the member cities and rural water systems have access to a
2.8 critically needed water supply that will allow the tri-state region to continue to grow, thereby
2.9 benefitting the regional and national economy, as well as creating jobs during construction;

2.10 NOW, THEREFORE,

2.11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that it urges the Congress
2.12 of the United States to honor its commitment by appropriating \$35 million in fiscal year 2012 for
2.13 the Lewis & Clark Regional Water System.

2.14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota is
2.15 directed to prepare copies of this memorial and transmit them to the President of the United States,
2.16 the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and the Clerk of the
2.17 United States House of Representatives, the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, the
2.18 chair of the House Committee on Appropriations, and Minnesota's Senators and Representatives
2.19 in Congress.