STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

C2-02-1353

Ralph Olson,

Petitioner,

vs.

Robert Zuehlke, as County Auditor
of Itasca County, Minnesota,

Respondent,

Kirk Peysar, as County Auditor
of Aitkin County, Minnesota,

Respondent,

Mary Kiffmeyer, Minnesota
Secretary of State,

Respondent,

Loren Solberg,

Intervenor.

ORDER

PER CURIAM

This Minn. Stat. § 204B.44 (2000) petition was referred to a referee to take and receive evidence and make findings of fact relative to petitioner's claim that candidate Loren Solberg's name should not appear on the primary or general election ballots for District 3B. Petitioner lleged that the candidate will not have resided in District 3B for six months immediately ceding the general election as required by Minn. Const. art. IV, § 6. *See also* Minn. Stat.

§ 204B.06, subd. 4(f) (2000). On August 21, 2002, the referee reported his finding that candidate Solberg established residency in District 3B.

Based upon all the files, records and proceedings herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the petition is denied. So as not to impair the orderly election process, this order is issued with an opinion to follow.

Dated: August 28, 2002