

## ORDER OF COURT ORGANIZING THE CITY OF CONCORDIA.

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### Petition and Order.

In the District Court of the 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of the State of Kansas, at Chambers, before Hon. A. S. Wilson Judge of said Court.

Order Incorporating the City of Concordia, a city of the Third Class.

Be it Remembered, that on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1872, there was presented to me a petition of which the following is a copy in substance:

We, the undersigned citizens of the town of Concordia, Cloud County, Kansas, respectfully represent that the metes and bounds of the town of Concordia, Cloud County, Kansas, are as follows to wit:

SE  $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW  $\frac{1}{4}$ , S  $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  and lots 3 and 4, of section 33, town 5, range 3 west and N  $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$ , lots 1 and 2 of NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  and lots 2 and W  $\frac{1}{2}$  of lot 1 and NW  $\frac{1}{4}$ , section 1, town 6, range 3 west.

That we are a majority of the qualified electors of said town. That said town is incorporated, that the number of inhabitants of said town exceeds two hundred and fifty, and asking that said city be incorporated as a city of the Third Class, by the name and style of the city of Concordia, and it appearing to me that said petition is signed by a majority of the electors of said town, and the prayer of said petition is reasonable.

And that notice, in which said petition had been set out in full had been published for three consecutive weeks, prior to the date of presentation of said petition to me, had been published in the Republican Valley Empire, in which said petition was set out in full. And that a majority of the taxable inhabitants of said town are in favor of such corporation. And that the number of inhabitants in said town exceeds two hundred and fifty and is less than two thousand. Therefore, be it ordered, that said town, be, and is hereby incorporated as a city of the Third Class by the name and style of the City of Concordia, and the metes and bounds of said city shall be as hereinbefore set forth, and it is further ordered, that the first election in said city, for City officers be held at the Court House, in said city of Monday, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1872. And that the following persons, three qualified electors of said city, to wit: R. E. Allen, J. M. Hagaman, and A. L. Buckingham, be and are hereby appointed Judges of said election, and that the following persons, two qualified electors of said city, to wit: D. T. Votaw, and J. C. Guffin, be and are hereby appointed Clerks of said election, and that the following persons, three qualified electors, of said city to wit: J. S. Bowen, George W. Andrews and Wm. E. Reid, be and are hereby appointed a board of canvassers for said election.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this the said 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1872, at Washington, Kansas.

A. S. WILSON,  
Judge of the 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of the State of Kansas.

THE FIRST ELECTION WAS HELD AUGUST 19, 1872.

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**Officers Elected:**

R. E. Allen.....Mayor  
C. W. McDonald.....Police Judge

**Councilmen**

J. Sipe, F. LaRoque, D. W. Williams, M. McKinnon and R. H. Sturges. George W. Andrews was the first City Marshall.