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receive preference points as fol-

• Homeless/At Risk Families with School Age Children

(18 and under): 10 points

- Extremely Low Income Families (≤ 30% of median income): 5 points • Residency in Stearns
- County (head, spouse, or co head): 1 point
- Families with Children (under 18): 1 point
- Disability or Age 62+: 1 • Near Elderly/Disabled
- (age 50-61 with a disability in household): 1 point • Elderly (age 62+): 1 point
- Employment/Education in Stearns County (head, spouse, or co head working or enrolled in job training/education programs): 1 point

How to Apply Applications must be submitted online only at: housing.stearnshra.com

No paper applications will be accepted.

/s/ Neil Fortier, Executive Director **Publish Date: December**

Equal Housing Opportunity

(Publish December 30, 2025)

STATE OF MINNESOTA **COUNTY OF STEARNS**

IN DISTRICT COURT 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case Type: Other Civil

AMENDED SUMMONS

Robert Kroska aka Robert P.

Plaintiff,

VS.

Dennis Brix; Ervin Helmark; David Brix; Doris Brix; Darren Brix; Daniel Brix; DeAnn Schreifels; Deborah Stang; Olmsheid; Amv Olmsheid; Kari Olmsheid; Kathy Stang Olmsheid; Lee Olmsheid; Tanya Olmsheid Casperson; Joyce Meyer; Lloyd Brix; Tim Brix; Kathy Brix; Jacob Brix: Julianna Kuhn: Kimberly Brix; Stacy Lynn Brix; Joshua Timothy Brix; Violet Brix; Jane Dreyer; Reynold Brix; Arthur Yliniemi; Debra Ann Ray Yliniemi-Ahlin; James Anthony Brix; Patricia Ann Brix; Dianne B. Blonigen; Jean Shepherd f/k/a Jean Karasch; Anne Brix; Brady Brix; Amy Brix; Adam Brix; Jason Brix; Amanda Grabmeier; Michael Jagielski; Kevin Jagielski; Jesse Karasch Hayden Karasch; Russell Karasch; Jason Karasch; Nolan Gunderlock; Evelyn Brix; Russell Brix; Dean Brix; Gary Brix; Linda Hawkins; David Brix; Paul Brix; Rachel

Any and all unknown heirs, successors and assigns of Anna Brix, now deceased, as well as any and all known heirs, successors and assigns of any of the above named Defendants who may be now deceased, together with all other persons and entities unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate described in the Complaint here-

Defendants.

THIS AMENDED SUMMONS IS DIRECTED TO: EACH ABOVE-NAMED DEFEN-

1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiff's Complaint against you is on file in the office of the **NAMED DEFENDANTS**

Help Wanted Miscellaneous

WANTED - Richmond and Torah items. Any size, any amount, to preserve history. Call or text Terry 320-291-

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court administrator of the above-named court. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this amended Summons.

2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 21 DAYS TO PRO-TECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must give or mail to the person who signed this amended Summons a written response called an Answer within 21 days of the date on which you received this amended Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this amended Summons located at:

Daniel T. Zimmermann WILLENBRING, DAHL, **WOCKEN &** ZIMMERMANN, PLLC 318 Main Street Cold Spring, MN 56320-0417

3. YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM. The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiff's Complaint. In vour Answer vou must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiff should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

4. YOU WILL LOSE Quiet Title YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RE-SPONSE TO THE COM-PLAINT TO THE PERSON SIGNED AMENDED SUMMONS. If you do not answer within 21 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the Com-

> 5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.

6. ALTERNATIVE DIS-PUTE RESOLUTION. The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.

7. THIS LAWSUIT MAY AFFECT OR BRING INTO QUESTION TITLE TO **REAL PROPERTY** located in Stearns County, State of Minnesota legally described as fol-

See attached Exhibit A

The object of this action is to determine adverse claims and to adjudge title in Plaintiff as the fee owner of the above described property, free and clear of any right, estate, interest, or lien of the Defendants or anyone claiming under them, in or to said premises or any part thereof.

8. NO MONEY JUDG-MENT IS BEING SOUGHT FROM ANY OF THE

HEREIN. The sole purpose of this action is to establish clear title in the name of the Plaintiff and successor owners as set forth in Plaintiff's Amended Complaint.

Exhibit A

The South One-half of the North One-half of the Southeast Quarter and the South Half of the Southeast Quarter all in Section Six (6). Township One Hundred Twenty-four (124) North Range Thirty (30) West, Stearns County, Minnesota;

LESS AND EXCEPT That part of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 6, Township 124, Range 30, Stearns County, Minnesota, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said South Half of the Southeast Quarter distant 814.61 feet West of the Southeast corner thereof: thence North at right angles to said South line for 435.60 feet; thence West at right angles for 500 feet; thence South at right angles for 435.60 feet to a point on said South line of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter; thence East for 500 feet to the point of beginning.

Dated this 9th day of Octo-

WILLENBRING, DAHL,

WOCKEN & ZIMMERMANN, PLLC /s/ Daniel T. Zimmermann Daniel T. Zimmermann 141835 Attorney for Plaintiff 318 Main Street PO Box 417 Cold Spring, MN 56320-0417

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Tips when Traveling with Pets

Traveling with pets can be a rewarding experience that enables individuals to share new adventures with their companion animals. Bringing pets along on vacation has become quite popular. According to Top Dog Pet Travel, a central Florida agency specializing in petfriendly bookings, there has been an uptick in people traveling with their pets since 2024. A report from the American Pet Products Association indicates 22 percent of both cat and dog owners reported taking their animals on at least three flights in 2024.

These practical tips can make traveling with pets a smooth experience, whether one is traveling by car, plane or just off on a weekend getaway.

• Plan ahead. Research any pet regulations and restrictions prior to traveling. Some hotels, airlines and rental properties have specific rules or fees for pets. Always confirm if companion animals are allowed, and determine if there are restrictions on size, breed or the number of pets. Every airline has different rules for in-cabin versus cargo travel for pets. International travel may require certain vaccinations or quarantine periods, so it pays to start planning well in advance.

• Visit the vet. A checkup with the pet's vet is a good step prior to any trip. The vet will make sure the animal is current on vaccinations and well enough to travel. Getting a copy of the pet's medical records and vaccination schedule is helpful, as some airlines or destinations may require it. Also inquire about medication for motion sickness or anxiety, if necessary.

 Bring familiar items. Animals like consistency and routine. Keeping familiar items nearby can help reduce anxiety in unfamiliar environments. Bring along food, bowls, leashes, and preferred toys or bedding.

• Stick to routine. Give the pet time to adjust to the new surroundings and adhere to the same meal, walk and play schedules the animal is accustomed to at home. Regular feeding helps avoid stomach upset, as does bringing bottled water or water from home.

• Pack some patience. Even the most well-behaved pet may act out a little when in unfamiliar territory. Also, it's possible to encounter individuals who may not be as amenable to sharing surroundings with pets. Pets will take emotional cues from their owners, so projecting calm can be benefi-

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Horoscopes

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Strange things are happening, Aries. It may be better to go with the flow right now. You might like the change that ensues, and the change in pace could be a positive.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21 Better days are ahead, Taurus. It's just a matter of having a little patience and waiting a little longer for things to settle down. Start a new project to take your mind off things.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21 Make the most of time spent with friends and family this week, Gemini. You may need to step away for a little while, so cherish this time you get to spend with those you love.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22 Cancer, someone special is able to take a peek into your inner thoughts this week. Their ability to see you so personally could reinforce your outlook.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23 You might feel a bit melan-

cholic as the holiday season nears its end, Leo. It's understandable based on how much has been going on. Maintain a strong social cal-

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22 Virgo, generosity is an admirable trait, and now is a good time to indulge your love of helping others. Make a concerted effort to pitch in where your assistance is necessary.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23 When one door closes, another door opens, Libra. Look at all of the positive things in your life and embrace the great changes that

is an exciting time for you. SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22 Scorpio, there are so many things going on right now but you can still function effectively. The pace might be hectic right now, but things will calm down soon enough.

are coming your way. This

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21 A relationship is blooming,

Sagittarius, and you're not sure how you feel about it just yet. Take a few more weeks to work through all of your feelings.. CAPRICORN - Dec

22/Jan 20 You have an eye for deals,

Capricorn. Even though you have been spending a lot this past month, you can't resist a discount on some post-holiday sales. AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb

Take a firm hold of your finances for the next few weeks, Aquarius. Overspending could complicate an important relationship if you're not careful. Curb any purchases for a few days. PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

You are not sure how to harness your artistic energy this week, Pisces. You might take a class or engage in a hobby that interests you. Redesigning a room in a home also might be an idea.

100 Years Ago This Month: Historical **Events From December 1925**

has been home to many historical events over the years. Here's a look at some that helped to shape the world in December 1925.

• The Farmer-Labour Party is dissolved just two hours after its formation in Japan on December 1st. The dissolution was ordered by the Japanese government, which accused the party of harboring a secret communist agenda.

• The border delineating Northern Ireland and Ireland is established on December 3rd when representatives of both countries sign the Northern Irish Border Agreement.

• The George Gershwin composition "Concerto in F" is performed for the first time on December 3rd. The performance in New York's Carnegie Hall is conducted by Walter Damrosch and features Gershwin on piano.

• A counterfeiting scheme is uncovered by the Banco de Portugal on December 4th. An alert bank teller tips off the bank, which ultimately discovers that wealthy entrepreneur Arthur Virgílio Alves Reis is the mastermind behind the scheme. Reis was eventually sentenced to 20 years in

• The Pottsville Maroons defeat the Chicago Cardinals in front of 6,000 fans on December 6th in a game the press depicted as the championship of the National Football League.

• Russian Orthodox bishop Peter of Krutitsy is arrested on December 9th. Peter is charged with conspiring with Russian emigres in the west. Peter is air-based defenses.

The month of December ultimately executed by shooting on October 10,

> • George Bernard Shaw is awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature on December Karam Chand and Kartari Chand tie the knot in

India on December 11th. The Chand's marriage lasts is the longest marriage recorded. Karam Chand passed away in 2016 and Kartari in 2019.

• Communist politician Benjamin Gitlow is pardoned by New York Governor Al Smith on December 11th. Gitlow was convicted for publishing a manifesto calling for the overthrow of the U.S. government, which Governor Smith characterized as a "political crime" upon issuing his pardon.

• The Qaja dynasty, which had ruled Iran since 1789, comes to an end on December 12th when the country's Parliament declares General Reza Khan Pahlavi Prime Minister and installs him as Shah of Iran.

• The Fascist government in Italy signs a secret pact with Britain on December 14th. The pact is designed to reinforce Italian dominance in Ethiopia.

• The national service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega is founded at Lafayette College in Pennsylvania on December 16th.

• U.S. Army Colonel Billy Mitchell is convicted on eight charges of insubordination on December 17th. Mitchell was critical of military leaders for investing in battleships and had argued for greater investment in

Paul Löbe speaks out in favor of partial prohibition in Germany on December 19th. George Edwin Taylor

• Reichstag President

passes away on December 23rd at the age of 68. Taylor was the first African American presidential candidate, running for the highest office in the United States as 90 years and 291 days, and nominee of the National Negro Liberty Party in 1904 • Law No. 2263 is passed

by the Italian parliament on December 24th. The law states that the decisions of Prime Minister Benito Mussolini and his government were not subject to legislative review and could only be overruled by order of King Victor Emmanuel III.

 A Christmas story published in the London newspaper The Evening News on December 24th identifies a children's character as "Winnie-the-Pooh" for the first time. The character had previously been referred to as "Edward" in a poem published in Punch magazine in 1924.

• The Turkish government passes a law identifying the Gregorian calendar as the official calendar for all government affairs on December 26th. The use of the Islamic calendar in government affairs also is banned.

 The Japan Sumo Association is founded on December 28th. • The first attempt at a

global New Year's celebration is made via international radio on December 31st. Musical entertainment and greetings from various consuls general from an assortment of foreign countries are sent from New York.

Did You Know That?

As residents of the United States of America celebrate the nation's two hunand fiftieth anniversary, some might be curious where the "America" portion of the country's name comes from. According to the Library of Congress, America is named af-Italian explorer Amerigo Vespucci. The LOC contends that Vespucci was the first to suggest that the lands Christopher Columbus sailed to in 1492

were part of a separate continent. German mapmaker Martin Waldseemüller honored Vespucci's assertion in 1507, when he created a notable map that was the first to depict the lands as a separate continent, naming the area "America," which is a Latinized version of "Amerigo." That map is now part of the cartographic collections at the LOC, and is sometimes referred to as "America's Birth Cer-

