



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, In pursuance of the Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1855, entitled "An Act in addition to certain Acts granting Bounty Land to certain Officers and Soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States," there has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE, Warrant No. 23,323 for 160 acres, in favor of Elizabeth Bland widow of Joseph Bland, Private, Captain Ridley's Company Virginia militia Mar 1812

with evidence that the same has been duly located upon the South East quarter of section twenty two in Township One hundred and seven north of Range fifteen west, in the District of Lands formerly subject to sale at Harbent's near St Peter Minnesota containing One hundred and Sixty acres

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of said Lands returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL the said warrant having been assigned by the said Elizabeth Bland to Erastus A. Nixon in whose favor said tract has been located.

NOW KNOW YE, That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said Erastus A. Nixon as assignee as aforesaid and to his heirs

the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Erastus A. Nixon as assignee as aforesaid, and to his

heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, James Buchanan PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the SEAL OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the tenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine, and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the eighty fourth

BY THE PRESIDENT: James Buchanan

By J. B. Leonard Sec'y.

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Recorder of the General Land Office.