



## Century Farm Applications

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Minnesota State Fair  
CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

ONLINE: July 1



JUN 26 1995

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Jean Mattson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE The Martin Mattson Family

ADDRESS Route 4, Box 394 Mora Minnesota 55051  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 679-3147

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP Hillman COUNTY Kanabec

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 81

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY June 20, 1895 (homesteaded)

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 & NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 & S 2 RDS of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4

Township 41 Range 24

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner Martin Mattson	1895 - 1902	Father of Albert, John, Tom, Leonard, Tena, Alfred & Husband of Greta
Next Owner Greta Mattson and Albert, John, Tom, Leonard, Tena and Alfred Mattson	1902 - 1922	Mother and Siblings of Leonard
Next Owner Leonard Mattson	1922 - 1973	Father of Elmer, Marie, Edwin, Ellen and Annabelle
Next Owner Elmer & Edwin Mattson, Marie Olson, Ellen Jansen and Annabelle Olson	1973 - 1974	Siblings of Edwin Mattson & his wife, Jean Mattson
Next Owner Edwin Mattson, deceased 2/6/95 & his wife, Jean Mattson	1974 - present	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

☒ Abstract of Title

☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings

☒ Land Patent

☐ County land Record

☐ Original Deed

☒ Other: Homestead Application Papers

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Jean Mattson  
(signature of present owner)

6-21-95  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any information you can add to this form will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are only a guide. Feel free to add other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and the area around it. ***This is not a requirement for Century Farm certification.***

FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? The United States Government

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Fors Socken, Jamtland, Sweden

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Yes

IF SO, PLEASE LIST Road and Bridge work for Hillman Township

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay, Corn, Alfalfa, beef cattle  
and laying hens

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The original land was brush prairie suitable for farming.

Martin Mattson and his family settled on the land June 20, 1895, at which  
time he established his actual residence thereon. He cultivated the land  
every year and raised crops on five acres. The original log house measured  
14 x 24 feet; the original one-story log barn measured 20 x 80 feet.

Besides the five cultivated acres, fifteen acres were improved meadow  
and twenty acres were fenced. The total value of the improvements was  
\$550.00

Mail Application To: **Century Farms, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave N., St. Paul MN  
55108-3099**



June 21, 1995

Century Farms  
Minnesota State Fair  
1265 Snelling Av. N.  
St. Paul MN 55108-3099

Attn: Jenny  
Re: Mattson Family Farm Centennial Celebration  
August 5, 1995  
Dear Jenny,

This note is to confirm our conversation of  
Monday, June 19.

My Aunt, Jean Mattson, is to receive the  
certificate and century farm sign at the  
Kanabec County Fair on Sat. July 22. She  
will be notified by your office or the county  
fair committee as to the arrangements and  
time.

Would you please also send me a certificate  
for my files? I would appreciate it very much.

Please let me know if I have misunderstood  
anything. If you have any questions, please  
write or call me.

Sincerely  
Connie Smith

CONNIE SMITH  
9 MAYFAIR LN.  
AURORA IL 60504  
708-820-1430



# HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT

Martin Matsson, being called as a witness in his own behalf in support of homestead entry, No. 17307, for SW 1/4 Sec 26-41 N-24 W testifies as follows:

Ques. 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?

Ans. Martin Matsson age 45 Hillman Minn

Ques. 2.—Are you a native-born citizen of the United States, and if so, in what State or Territory were you born? \*

Ans. Naturalized citizen of U. S. born in Sweden

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made homestead entry, No. 17307, at the St. Cloud Minn land office on the 5th day of July, 1895, and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. I am the identical. The true description of the land is the SW 1/4 Sec 26 Twp 41 N. R. 24 W

Ques. 4.—When was your house built on the land and when did you establish actual residence therein? (Describe said house and other improvements which you have placed on the land, giving total value thereof.)

Ans. Built house ~~at~~ about June 20th 1895 and moved in at the same time. Log house 14 X 24 ft on stone log barn 20 X 80 ft 5 acres under cultivation 15 acres improved meadow 20 acres rail fence. Total value of improvements \$550.00

Ques. 5.—Of whom does your family consist; and have you and your family resided continuously on the land since first establishing residence thereon? (If unmarried, state the fact)

Ans. Myself wife and 6 children. We myself and family have resided continuously on the land since first establishing residence thereon

Ques. 6.—For what period or periods have you been absent from the homestead since making settlement, and for what purpose; and if temporarily absent, did your family reside upon and cultivate the land during such absence?

Ans. No one not been absent

Ques. 7.—How much of the land have you cultivated each season, and for how many seasons have you raised crops thereon?

Ans. have cultivated the land every season and raised crops on five acres

Ques. 8.—Is your present claim within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade and business?

Ans. No

Ques. 9.—What is the character of the land? Is it timber, mountainous, prairie, grazing, or ordinary agricultural land? State its kind and quality, and for what purpose it is most valuable.

Ans. Brush prairie black soil most valuable for farming

Ques. 10.—Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the land? (If so, describe what they are, and state whether the land is more valuable for agricultural than for mineral purposes.)

Ans. No valuable for agriculture only

Ques. 11.—Have you ever made any other homestead entry? (If so, describe the same.)

Ans. No

Ques. 12.—Have you sold, conveyed, or mortgaged any portion of the land; and if so, to whom and for what purpose?

Ans. No

Ques. 13.—Have you any personal property of any kind elsewhere than on this claim? (If so, describe the same, and state where the same is kept.)

Ans. No

Ques. 14.—Describe by legal subdivisions, or by number, kind of entry, and office where made, any other entry or filing (not mineral), made by you since August 30, 1890.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Martin Matsson

\* (In case the party is of foreign birth a certified transcript from the court records of his declaration of intention to become a citizen, or of his naturalization, or a copy thereof, certified by the officer taking this proof, must be filed with the case. Evidence of naturalization is only required in final (five-year) homestead cases.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the claimant before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 27 day of April, 1901, at my office at Mora in St. Cloud County, Minn

[SEE NOTE BELOW.]

Andrew Erickson  
clerk district court

NOTE.—The officer before whom the testimony is taken should call the attention of the witness to the following section of the Revised Statutes, and state to him that it is the purpose of the Government, if it be ascertained that he testifies falsely, to prosecute him to the full extent of the law.

Title LXX.—CRIMES.—Ch. 4.

SEC. 5392. Every person who, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed is true, willfully and contrary to such oath states or subscribes any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be punished by a fine of not more than two thousand dollars, and by imprisonment, at hard labor, not more than five years, and shall, moreover, thereafter be incapable of giving testimony in any court of the United States until such time as the judgment against him is reversed. (See § 1750.)

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HOMESTEAD PROOF.

Martin Mattson

LAND OFFICE AT

ST. CLOUD MINN.

Original Application No. 17307

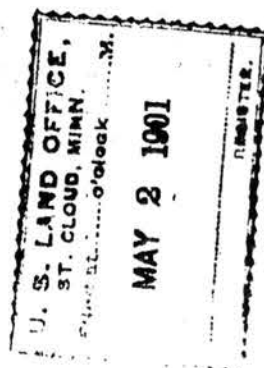
Final Certificate No. 10900

Approved: MAY 7 - 1901

Register

Receiver.

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FINAL AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED OF HOMESTEAD CLAIMANTS.

SECTION..... OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF THE UNITED STATES.

I, Martin Mattson, having made a Homestead entry of the SW 1/4 Section No. 26 in Township No. 41 N of Range No. 24 W, subject to entry at St. Cloud, Minn under section No. 2289 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, do now apply to perfect my claim thereto by virtue of section No. 2291 of the Revised Statutes of the United States; and for that purpose do solemnly swear that I, Martin Mattson Am a Naturalized a citizen of the United States; that I have made actual settlement upon and have cultivated and resided upon said land since the 20th day of June, 1895 to the present time; that no part of said land has been alienated, except as provided in section 2288 of the Revised Statutes, but that I am the sole bona fide owner as an actual settler; that I will bear true allegiance to the Government of the United States; and, further, that I have not heretofore perfected or abandoned an entry made under the homestead laws of the United States, except.....

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Martin Mattson

I, Andrew Erickson, of Mora Minn

do hereby certify that the above affidavit was subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of April, 1901, at my office at Mora in St. Cloud County, Minn

Andrew Erickson  
clerk district court

# HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

entry of Wm Brunberg, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Martin Matheson for Survey 26-417-241, testifies as follows:

Ques. 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?

Ans. Wm Brunberg age 35 Hillman Minn

Ques. 2.—Are you well acquainted with the claimant in this case and the land embraced in his claim?

Ans. Yes

Ques. 3.—Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade or business?

Ans. No

Ques. 4.—State specifically the character of this land—whether it is timber, prairie, grazing, farming, coal, or mineral land.

Ans. Brush prairie suitable for farming

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead, and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?

Ans. he settled on the land June 20th 1895 at which time he established his actual residence thereon

Ques. 6.—Have claimant and family resided continuously on the homestead since first establishing residence thereon? (If settler is unmarried, state the fact.)

Ans. Yes he and his family have resided on the land ever since establishing his residence

Ques. 7.—For what period or periods has the settler been absent from the land since making settlement, and for what purpose; and if temporarily absent, did claimant's family reside upon and cultivate the land during such absence?

Ans. Has not been absent

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated, and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon?

Ans. Has cultivated the land every year and raised crops on five acres

Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land, and what is their value?

Ans. Lug house 14x24 feet one Round Log barn 20x80 feet 5 acres cultivated 15 acres improved meadow 20 acres fenced Total value of improvements \$55000

Ques. 10.—Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the homestead? (If so, describe what they are, and state whether the land is more valuable for agricultural than for mineral purposes.)

Ans. No valuable only for agriculture

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?

Ans. No

Ques. 12.—Are you interested in this claim; and do you think the settler has acted in entire good faith in perfecting this entry?

Ans. (1) No (4) Yes

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Wm Brunberg

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed and was sworn to before me this 27 day of April 1901, at my office at Mora in Kanabek County, Minn

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

Andrew Erickson  
Clare Viet Leung

(The testimony of witnesses must be taken at the same time and place and before the same officer as claimant's final affidavit. The answers must be full and complete to each and every question asked, and officers taking testimony will be expected to make no mistakes in dates, description of land, or otherwise.)



PATENT TRANSMITTAL

NOV 2 1901

TO REGISTER & RECEIVE

Final Certificate No. 10900

Homestead Application No. 17307

LAND OFFICE

AT

ST. CLOUD, MINN.

May 7, 1901.

Sec. 26, Town 41, Range 24

Div. C. List No. 10 1

Approved *Oct. 1* 1901  
*M.P.K.* *Exp*  
Clerk,

Division *6*

Patented *Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>*, 1901

Recorded, Vol. *270*, page *182*

*L. L. 7-148*

*William*



4-404.

# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Homestead Certificate No. 10900

Application 17307

OF THE LAND OFFICE at Saint Cloud Minnesota

Whereas There has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States a CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTER

\_\_\_\_\_, whereby it appears that, pursuant

to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to Actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of

Martin Mattson has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the

South West quarter of the South West quarter of Section twenty-six in Township forty one North of Range twenty-four West of the Fourth Principal Meridian in Minnesota, containing forty acres.

according to the OFFICIAL PLAT of the Survey of the said Land, returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL:

Now know ye, That there is, therefore, granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said Martin Mattson

\_\_\_\_\_ the tract of Land above described; To have and to hold the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances

thereof, unto the said Martin Mattson and to his \_\_\_\_\_

heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I, Theodore Roosevelt, 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 twenty-third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-sixth

BY THE PRESIDENT:

T. Roosevelt

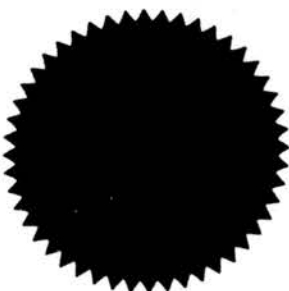
By

L. M. McKeen

Secretary.

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W. B. Smith Recorder of the General Land Office.





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72.10.900

Martin Matson

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DEEDS.

County of Sioux Minn.

I hereby certify that the within Instrument  
was filed in this office for record on the  
20th day of March  
1902  
A. D. 1892, at 10 o'clock 9 M.,

and was duly recorded in Book 4  
of Deeds on page 264.

A. M. Anderson

Register of Deeds.

per. Paul

ABSTRACT OF TITLE

TO

SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 41,  
RANGE 24, KANABEC COUNTY, MINNESOTA

No. 1

The United States

to

Martin Matson

PATENT

Dated: October 23, 1901

Filed: March 20, 1902, at 10:00 A.M.

Recorded: Book G of Deeds, page 264

Sealed. Acknowledged.

Desc: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township  
41 North, Range 24 West of the Fourth  
Principal Meridian in Minnesota containing  
40 acres. Sealed.

No. 2

Probate Court, Kanabec County,  
Minnesota. In the Matter of the Estate  
of Martin Mattson, Dec'd

to

Margareta Mattson, Albert Mattson,  
Tom Mattson, John Mattson, Leonard  
Mattson, Tena Mattson, Alfred  
Mattson

interest. To Tena Mattson, a 1/6 interest. To Alfred Mattson, a 1/6 interest. Decedent  
died October 23, 1902 without leaving a last will and testament. Subscribed and sworn  
to before April 20, 1909 by Olof P. Victorien, Probate Judge of Kanabec County, Minnesota.  
Sealed.

DECREE OF DESCENT (Certified Copy)

Dated: April 20, 1909

Filed: August 31, 1909. at 2:00 P.M.

Recorded: Book 4 of Deeds, page 170

Consideration: \$

Sealed. Acknowledged.

Ordered, adjudged and decreed that all and  
singular of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26,  
Township 41, Range 24, be and hereby are vested  
in and assigned to Margareta Mattson, a life  
estate therein, To Albert Mattson an 1/6 interest;  
To Tom Mattson, a 1/6 interest; To John Mattson  
a 1/6 interest; To Leonard Mattson, a 1/6

No. 3

C. Albert Mattson and Eva Mattson,  
his wife; Tom Mattson, single man;  
and John Mattson, a single man

to

Margareta Mattson

WARRANTY DEED

Dated: October 13, 1909

Filed: October 27, 1909, at 9:00 A.M.

Recorded: Book 5 of Deeds, page 266

Consideration: \$1200.00

Sealed. Two witnesses. Acknowledged.

Desc: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township  
41, Range 24 containing 40 acres, more or less,  
according to the Government survey thereof.

No. 4

Margareta Mattson, widow

to

Leonard Mattson,

WARRANTY DEED

Dated: October 23, 1918

Filed: November 1, 1921, at 1:00 P.M.

Recorded: Book 18 of Deeds, page 84

Consideration: \$1000.00

Sealed. Two witnesses. Acknowledged.

Desc: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township  
41, Range 24, containing 40 acres, be the same  
more or less, according to the United States

survey thereof. Subject however, to the interest of Alfred Mattson as the same may be shown  
of record. Excepting taxes, assessments, and encumbrances arising thereon subsequent to April  
30, 1915. (\$1.00 Internal Revenue Stamp Affixed and Cancelled.)

QUITCLAIM DEED

Dated: June 27, 1922

Filed: November 20, 1922, at 4:00 P.M.

Recorded: Book 12 of Deeds, page 256

Consideration: \$1.00

Sealed. Four witnesses. Acknowledged.

Desc: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township  
41, Range 24. (\$.50 Internal Revenue Stamp  
Affixed and Cancelled.)

No. 5

Tena Christensen formerly Tena Mattson,  
and Alfred B. Christensen, her husband;  
Alfred Mattson and Alice Mattson, his wife

to

Leonard Mattson

No. 6

The County Board of Kanabec County,  
Minnesota. by Gustav Ugland, Chairman

to

Whom it Concerns

ORDER (Certified Copy)

Dated: June 10, 1952

Filed: June 25, 1952, at 11:00 A.M.

Recorded: Book 40 of Deeds, page 497-498

Sealed. Acknowledged.

That Common School District No. 16 of Kanabe  
County, Minnesota, be dissolved effective  
at 12 o'clock midnight June 20, 1952. That  
the territory now comprising said Common

School District No. 16 of Kanabec County, Minnesota shall be attached to Common School Dis-  
trict No. 67 of Kanabec County, Minnesota effective at 12 o'clock midnight June 20, 1952 and the  
thereafter said land be and constitute a part of said Common School District No. 67 of Kan-  
abec County, Minnesota. That the following is a correct description of the territory now inclu-  
ded within said Common School District No. 16 of Kanabec County, Minnesota: All of Section 26  
Township 41 North, Range 24 West with other land. Marie Salmonson, County Auditor, Kanabe

No. 7

Leonard Mattson, a widower

to

Elmer A. Mattson, Marie M. Olson,  
Edwin J. Mattson, Ellen G. Jansen  
and Annabelle Olson

WARRANTY DEED

Dated: July 19, 1973

Filed: August 3, 1973, at 12:00 P.M.

Recorded: Book 65 of Deeds, page 70-71

Consideration: \$1.00

Sealed. Two witnesses. Acknowledged.

Desc: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township  
41, Range 24 of Kanabec County, Minnesota with  
other land. (\$15.40 State Deed Tax)

No. 8

Elmer A. Mattson and Florence Mattson,  
his wife; Annabelle Olson and Orville  
Olson, her husband; Ellen G. Jansen  
and Anthony Jansen, her husband; Marie  
M. Olson and Olaf Olson, her husband

to

Edwin J. Mattson and Jean Mattson,  
husband and wife as joint tenants

QUITCLAIM DEED

Dated: February 27, 1974

Filed: July 1, 1974, at 3:00 P.M.

Recorded: Book 66 of Deeds, page 605-606

Consideration: \$1.00

Sealed. Two witnesses. Acknowledged.

Desc: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township  
41, Range 24, Kanabec County, Minnesota with  
other land. (\$11.00 State Deed Tax paid)

No. 9

Township of Hillman by its Chairman and  
Clerk

to

Whom it Concerns

ORDINANCE No. 100

Dated: August 15, 1978

Filed: August 16, 1978, at 9:00 A.M.

Recorded: Book 11 of Misc., page 70-76

For further information concerning this said  
ordinance it is available for your use in the  
office of the County Recorder, Kanabec County,  
Minnesota.

No. 10

Hillman Township

to

Whom it Concerns

ORDINANCE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Dated:

Filed: July 16, 1979, at 10:45 A.M.

Recorded: Book 27 of Misc., page 570-574

For purposes of this Township Growth Management  
System the task is to plan for the future  
physical, economic and population growth of the  
Township. Unless otherwise, noted planning

will mean land use planning although other types of planning exist and are beneficial to local  
governments. This Growth Management plan is primarily concerned with physical or land use  
planning and only the more obvious and direct relationship with other functional planning  
efforts will be mentioned and so forth. For further information concerning said ordinance  
it is available for your use in the office of the County Recorder, Kanabec County, Minnesota.

No. 11

Hillman Township

to

Whom it Concerns

and all acts amendatory thereof, to promote the health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the inhabitants of Hillman Township by dividing the Township into zones and regulating therein the Township uses of land to encourage to most appropriate use of land, and to recognize and preserve the economic and natural environmental values of all lands within Hillman Township, and so forth. For further information concerning said ordinance it is available for your use in the office of the County Recorder, Kanabec County, Minnesota.

**ZONING ORDINANCE**

Dated: July 13, 1979

Filed: July 16, 1979, at 10:45 A.M.

Recorded: Book Z of Misc., page 575-581

An ordinance establishing zoning regulations for Hillman Township, Kanabec County, Minnesota, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 366.10-366, 181 of the Minnesota Statutes



Minnesota State Fair  
CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

DEADLINE: July 1

JUN 10 1995

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM PETER L. PETERSON

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE PETER L. PETERSON

ADDRESS RT. 1 Box 189 GRASSTON MN 55030  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 396-3297 (Home) 612-679-1800 WORK

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 02 TOWNSHIP GRASS LAKE (038) COUNTY KANABEC

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 8-2-1890

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

SECT-02 TWP-038 RANGE-023 N 1/2 OF NW 1/4 & NW 1/4 OF NE 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>PETER O. PETERSON</u> <u>&amp; ANNA HIS WIFE</u>	<u>1890 - 1948</u>	<u>FATHER &amp; MOTHER</u> <u>OF LEO</u>
Next Owner <u>LEO W. PETERSON</u> <u>&amp; NANNIE HIS WIFE</u>	<u>1948 - 1982</u>	<u>FATHER &amp; MOTHER</u> <u>OF PETER L., MARILYN</u> <u>&amp; LU ANN</u>
Next Owner <u>PETER L. PETERSON,</u> <u>MARILYN PETERSON, &amp; LU ANN</u> <u>BELSON</u>	<u>1982 - 1994</u>	
Next Owner <u>PETER L. PETERSON</u>	<u>1994 - PRESENT</u>	
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

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( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Peter L. Peterson

(signature of present owner)

6-10-95

(date)

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HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? NO COST CONVEYED

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? ORIGINAL "SUMMER KITCHEN" & GRANARY are STILL STANDING

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1994

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? SMALL GRAIN, DAIRY

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: My Great Grandfather, Lars M. Peterson, came from Northern Sweden in 1873 with his family. He was a farmer and one of the earliest settlers in this area. His son Peter O., my Grandfather, homesteaded the farm where I'm now living in 1890.  
Peter O. Peterson

## **KANABEC COUNTY CENTURY FARMS**

**1976 - 1995**

<b>1976 - 1977</b>	None
<b>1991</b>	Robert Arnold Schultz & Wilda Ann Schultz, Mora (1891)
<b>1992</b>	None
<b>1993</b>	Laura G. Nelson, Grasston (1893)
<b>1994</b>	None
<b>1995</b>	Jean Mattson, Mora (1895) Peter L. Peterson, Grasston (1890)

**NOTE:** The year in parenthesis is the year of original ownership by a member of that family.

JUN 30 1996

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Laverne Birkland  
and sons, Robin and Todd

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 235-4186

SECTION 20-21 TOWNSHIP Dovre COUNTY Kandiyohi

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 340

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1871

Dovre Sect. 20 TWP-120 Rang.-35 E  $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE  $\frac{1}{4}$   
Sect. 21 TWP-120 Rang.-35 NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW  $\frac{1}{4}$

Name	Years of Ownership from - to	Blood Relationship to next owner
first owner Jokum Christanson Birkland-wife Anna	1871 - 1883	parents
next owner Christen C. Birkeland and wife Louise	1883 - 1918	parents
next owner C. Theodore Birkland and wife Ellie	1918 - 1952	parents
next owner A. Donald Birkland and wife LaVerna	1952 - present Donald passed away in 1990.	
next owner		

(X) Abstract of Title  
( ) Land Patent  
( ) Original Deed  
( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings  
(X) County Land Record  
(X) Other History of Hardin Co. - pub. 1905 -  
containing autobiography by C.C. Birkland

LaVerna Birkland  
(signature of present owner)

6-26-95  
(date)



### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Mons Nilson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? near Haugesund, Norway

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? about 1880

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn and soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: After coming to Hardig's County from Norway, Yukum Birkeland bought this land in Dec. 1871. In the spring of 1872 a shanty 12' x 12' by 6' high was built and the family moved on to the claim. Many people from the northern part of the County would stop here over night on their way to Willmar with their produce. They usually traveled with oxen. It was six miles to Willmar from here so this place came to be called "The Six Mile House".

The original barn was destroyed in a fire in 1961.

The farm is now being farmed by Robin and Todd Birkeland, sons of Donald and La Verna Birkeland. They are the 5<sup>th</sup> generation of Birklands to be farming it.

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**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

**DEADLINE: July 1**

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM

Doris Huebsch

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE

Doris Huebsch

ADDRESS

23200 150<sup>th</sup> St SE Lake Lillian MN 56253  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER

area code (612) 664-4583

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

NE 1/4 of Sec 32

TOWNSHIP

E Lake Lillian

COUNTY

Kandiyohi

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

January 30, 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM?

NO

IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

The North East Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Thirty-Two (32) Township One Hundred and Seventeen (117) and Range Thirty-Three (33); containing 160 acres more or less

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>CLEMENS HUEBSCH (Magdalen)</u>	<u>1895 - 1914</u>	<u>Father of Clemens Huebsch Jr.</u>
Next Owner <u>CLEMENS HUEBSCH Jr. (mrry)</u>	<u>1914 - 1969</u>	<u>Father of Jerome</u>
Next Owner <u>Jerome Huebsch (Doris)</u>	<u>1968 - 1988</u>	<u>Husband of Doris</u>
Next Owner <u>Doris Huebsch</u>	<u>1988 -</u>	<u>Mother of Jerome's Sons</u>
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

☒ Abstract of Title

☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings

☐ Land Patent

☐ County land Record

☒ Original Deed (Dorsey)

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\* Doris Huebsch  
(signature of present owner)

\* 4/13/95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Louis Larson and Lela Larson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10.63

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Alsace - Lorraine

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1936

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Barley, Oats - Hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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WARRANTY DEED.

Taxes paid and transfer entered, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of  
of January 1895  
By A. O. Nassert County Auditor.  
Filed for record the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January A. D. 1895,  
at 9 o'clock A.M.  
By J. Sanderson Register of Deeds.  
Deputy.

Louis Larson & wife  
TO  
Clemine Kubeck.

This Indenture, Made this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our  
Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five between  
Louis Larson and Ida J. Larson, his wife, of Kandiyohi County, Minnesota,  
of the County of and State of part of the first part, and  
Clemine Kubeck, of Kandiyohi County, Minnesota  
of the County of and State of part of the second part,

Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of  
Twenty Hundred Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said party  
of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL and CONVEY unto the  
said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, FOREVER, all that tract or parcel of land lying  
and being in the County of Kandiyohi, and State of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:

The North East quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32) Township  
One Hundred and Seventeen (117) and Range Thirty-three (33); con-  
taining 160 acres more or less.

To Have and to Hold the Same, Together with all the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise  
appertaining, to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, FOREVER. And the said  
Louis Larson and Ida J. Larson, his wife,  
parties of the first part, for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant with the said party of the second  
part his heirs and assigns, that they are well seized in fee of the lands and premises aforesaid, and have good right  
to sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid; and that the same are free from all incumbrances:

except a certain Mortgage for \$1000. which the party of the second part assumes  
and agrees to pay.

and the above bargained and granted lands and premises in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second  
part, his heirs and assigns, against all persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, the said  
parties of the first part will WARRANT and DEFEND.

In Testimony Whereof, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and  
year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in Presence of

A. J. Ramsert  
M. Laufentack

Louis Larson.  
Miss Ida J. Larson.

State of Minnesota,

County of Kandiyohi.

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January  
before me personally appeared

A. D. 1895,



Louis Larson and Ida J. Larson, his wife,  
to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the  
 foregoing instrument and acknowledged that they executed the same  
 as their free act and deed.

A. J. Ramsert,  
Notary Public,  
Minnesota.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Orlyn and Carroll Huse

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE

Orlyn and Carroll Huse

ADDRESS

6110 Hwy 9 NW

(street)

Sunburg

(city)

Minn. 56289

(state)

(zip)

PHONE NUMBER

area code

(612) 366-3763

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION

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TOWNSHIP

Colfax

COUNTY

Kandiyohi

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

194 A.

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

~~1946~~ 1868

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

Sec-30 Twp-122-Rang 35-SE 1/4 of NW 1/4-NE 1/4-of SW 1/4  
W 1/2 of NW 1/4 Lot 2

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS OWNERSHIP:

Name	Years of Ownership from - to	Blood Relationship to next Owner
first owner <u>Olle Olsen</u>	<u>1868-1915</u>	
next owner <u>Oliver Huse</u> <u>Edward Huse</u>	<u>1915-1946</u>	<u>Oliver and Edward</u> <u>are Ole Olson Sons</u>
next owner <u>Orlyn Huse</u> <u>Carroll Huse</u>	<u>1946- to</u> <u>Present Time</u>	<u>Oliver is our Dad</u> <u>Edward is our Uncle</u>
next owner		
next owner		

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(X) Abstract of Title

( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings

(X) Land Patent

(X) County Land Record

(X) Original Deed

( ) Other

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Orlyn Huse

(signature of present owner)

May 9 1995

(date)



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 194 A  
WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway April 13/1842  
DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes  
DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes  
IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1868  
WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Ole Olsen Homestead 160A Son of  
Genild Stengrimson Homestead 40A Mother  
of Ole Olsen  
So now my brother Carroll & I Olsen own 200A  
and that is the Homestead from 1879 May 6  
We have the Original Land Patent signed by  
President R B Hayes

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Minnesota State Fair

St. Paul, MN 55108-3099

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Minnesota State Fair  
**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

DEADLINE: July 1

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Kenton E. and Dorothy J. Kragenbring  
NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Kenton E. and Dorothy J. Kragenbring  
ADDRESS 17041 - 75th Ave. NE. Atwater Mn. 56209  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)  
PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 974-8530

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 22, 21 TOWNSHIP Harrison COUNTY Kandiyohi  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 123.05 acres  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Jan. 21, 1893  
HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? no IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) Lot 3 of Section 21;  
Lots 1 and 2 (except part of Lot 2, as described of entry No. 1)  
Section 22, all in Township 126, range 33.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner Frederick Kragenbring	Jan. 21 1893 - May 25 1897	Father
Next Owner Charles F. Kragenbring	May 25 1897 - Nov. 20 1942	father
Next Owner Roy C. Kragenbring	Nov. 20 1942 - Jan. 7 1981	father
Next Owner Kenton E. Kragenbring	Jan. 7 1981 -	
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent      ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed      ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Kenton E. Kragenbring  
(signature of present owner)

6-26-94  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Joseph Thomas

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 24.08

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1989

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, beans, hay, oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER GLORIA M.A. MOLENAAR, GARY R. ANFINSON, DON L. ANFINSON

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE "~~THE HAVERLY FARM~~"

"CRESCENT BEACH FARM"

ADDRESS 9203 LAKE AV. S. SPICER MN. 56288  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code ( )

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 2, 11 TOWNSHIP GREEN LAKE / 120 COUNTY KANDIYOH1

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 111.62

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 11-9-1878

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)  
SECT. 2, TWP. 120, RANGE 34, 31.62 a. Lots 1+2 OF GOVT. LOTS 4+5 EXC. PART OF GOVT LOT 5. COM. AT S. LINE OF SAR. 10 + W. LINE OF SECT. 2 TH S ALONG W. LINE OF SAID SECT. 365 FT. TH. E. AT RT. ANG. 200 FT. N ON LINE PAR.  
SECT. 11, TWP 120, RANGE 34, 80 a. N. HALF OF NW 1/4.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS OWNERSHIP:

Name	Years of Ownership from - to	Blood Relationship to next Owner
first owner ANDREAS HAVERLY	11-9-1878 to 4-29-1881	
next owner OLE + THORA HAVERLY	4-29-1881 to 9-10-1923	SON & DAUGHTER-IN-LAW
next owner OTTO & LILLIE THOMPSON	9-10-1923 to 1-28-1952	SON-IN-LAW & DAUGHTER
next owner HANS + ETHEL ANFINSON	1-28-1952 to 4-2-1984	SON-IN-LAW & DAUGHTER
next owner GLORIA M.A. MOLENAAR GARY R. ANFINSON DON L. ANFINSON	4-2-1984 to PRESENT	DAUGHTER SON SON

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(X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court file in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County Land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Gloria M.A. Molenaar  
(signature of present owner)

4-22-1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? JOHN TOFTELI (ORIGINAL OWNER ON ABSTRACT: THOMAS DARLING-5-1-1858)

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? ANDREAS HAVERLY + OLE HAVERLY WERE BORN IN NORWAY

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1902

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, SOYBEANS AT PRESENT TIME

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

A LARGE AMOUNT OF LAKESHORE (SOUTH SHORE OF GREEN LAKE / CRESCENT BEACH) WAS PART OF THE ORIGINAL FARM WHEN FIRST BOUGHT BY ANDREAS, HOWEVER OLE, BEING THE GOOD FARMER HE WAS, SOLD OFF ALL BUT ONE OF THE LOTS ON THE LAKE, BECAUSE "YOU COULDN'T GROW CROPS IN THAT SAND!". EVENTUALLY, WANTING TO BE SURE EVERYONE HAD ACCESS TO THE LAKE, HE GAVE THE LAST LOT TO THE TOWNSHIP FOR A PUBLIC ACCESS.

OTTO THOMPSON NOT ONLY FARMED, BUT ALSO, STARTED THE CRESCENT BEACH DAIRY ON THE FARM, AND DELIVERED MILK, ETC. TO SPICER RESIDENTS AND ALSO AROUND THE LAKE.

I am in the process of transferring my third of ownership to my daughters, Karen V.L. Koberg, and my son Greg A. Linder. Gloria M.O. Molenaar

Any correspondence regarding this form should be sent to:

GLORIA MOLENAAR  
8811 LONG LAKE RD.  
SPICER, MN. 56288

phone: (612) 235-7939

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**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

**DEADLINE: July 1**

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM RONALD FOSSELL

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE ROY FOSSELL Ronald Fossell

ADDRESS PO BOX 113 KARLSTAD MIN. 56732  
(street) PO Box 245 (city) HALLOCK (state) 56738 (zip)  
PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 436-3112 1/1/96

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Kennedy, mo

SECTION 31 TOWNSHIP JUPITER COUNTY KITTSON  
(160-47)

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 158 ACRES

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1893

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
The Southeast One Quarter of Section Thirty-one,  
Township 160 N Range 47 W.

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>ERICK FOSSELL</u>	<u>1893 - 1946</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>ROY FOSSELL</u>	<u>1946 - 1988</u>	<u>SON OF ERICK</u>
Next Owner <u>RONALD FOSSELL</u>	<u>1988 - PRESENT</u>	<u>SON OF ROY</u>
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

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( ) Land Patent          (X) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed        ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Roy Fossell  
(signature of present owner)

8.8.94  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? JOHN JOHNSON

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 158 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$7.60

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NONE  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1915

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? POTATOES, GRAINS, SUNFLOWERS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM James Rickenberg  
NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE James And Helen Rickenberg  
ADDRESS Route 1 Box 103 Kennedy MN 56733 -  
(street) (city) (state) (zip) 9790  
PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 674-4231

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same  
SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP Jupiter COUNTY Kittson  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 960  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1893  
HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
St 2 SW 1/4 Township 160 Range 47

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Andrew Rickenberg</u>	<u>1893-1937</u>	<u>Father of Harry</u>
Next Owner <u>HARRY Rickenberg</u>	<u>1937-1967</u>	<u>Father of James</u>
Next Owner <u>James Rickenberg</u>	<u>1967-present</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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( ) Original Deed      ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

James Rickenberg  
(signature of present owner)

January 13, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? The St. Paul, Minneapolis, and  
Manitoba Railway Company  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$50.00 per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1947

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Potatoes, wheat, barley, cat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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55108-3099



Minnesota State Fair  
**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

**DEADLINE: July 1**

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

**MAY 5 1995**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Maurice Sugden

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Maurice and Dianne Sugden

ADDRESS P.O. Box 782 Hallock MN 56728  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 843-2883

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Rural Route 1

SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP Hallock COUNTY Kittson

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 530

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 3/08/87

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

NW1/4 N1/2SW1/4 & Part NE1/4, Section 2 Twp. 161 Range 49

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner		
Hugh B. Cameron	1887 - 1938	Father of Percy
Next Owner		
Percy Cameron	1938 - 1946	Uncle of Wesley
Next Owner		
Wesley Sugden	1946 - 1978	Father of Maurice
Next Owner		
Maurice Sugden	1978 - Present	
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court File in Registration Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County land Record          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Deed     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                           |

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Maurice Sugden  
(signature of present owner)

4-28-95  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Lewis & Britta Kjallberg

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 227

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$13.21

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Edinburgh, Scotland

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Yes

IF SO, PLEASE LIST Texas railroad worker/Oil field worker/Infantry Sharp Shooter

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The home built in 1897, Misc. farm buildings & sheds

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1897

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? small grains, dairy farm operation

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The Cameron family lived five years in a small log house which had been built by the half-breeds, and this was not too humble to be called home. A new dwelling was built in 1897 and is still located on the farm. The farm has seen over its' 100 years activity of grain farming, threshing crews, Wesley's registered holstein cattle and dairy operation and all the other farm animals remembered by the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. At the time of this application some of the farm land which is now owned by Maurice is being rented by his son Rick Sugden, bringing it into its 5th generation.

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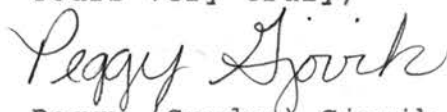
May 1, 1995

Century Farms  
Minnesota State Fair  
1265 Snelling Ave. N.  
St. Paul, MN 55108-3099

Dear Sirs:

Please find enclosed herewith a Century Farm Application that I am submitting on behalf of my father, Maurice Sugden. I researched the contained information through the county courthouse where I work and also through our last three county history books. I then had my dad review the application and sign where noted. Thank you.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Gjojik".

Peggy (Sugden) Gjojik  
P.O. Box 755  
Hallock, MN 56728

Enclosures

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MAY 26 1995

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Harley and Jan Younggren

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Harley and Jan Younggren and  
Larry and Rose Younggren

ADDRESS P.O. Box 309 Hallock MN 56728  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218 ) 843-2824

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP Hampden COUNTY Kittson

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 1584

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) North 1/2 of section 29,  
Township 162 North, Range 49 West (Hampden Township)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner Anna Lindholm	Prior to 12-27-1895	
Next Owner Charles A. Younggren	12-27-1895 to 12-30-1943	Father of Edward
Next Owner Edward C. Younggren	12-30-1943 to 12-29-1967	Father of Harley
Next Owner Harley Younggren	12-29-1967 to present	
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.  
Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent (x) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Harley Younggren  
(signature of present owner)

5-20-95  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Anna Lindholm

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 320

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? River Falls, Wisc.

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? NO

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1905

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? wheat, barley, oats, flax, potatoes,  
sugar beets

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

Charles Younggren had 5 sons and 3 daughters. His 5 sons continued to  
expand their acreage in Kittson Co. and eventually each owned their own farm.  
These 5 sons and 3 daughters gave Charles and his wife 8 grandsons, 6 who  
continued to farm. Three of the 8 granddaughters married farmers in Kittson  
County. Now, 14 members of the 4 th generation continue to live and farm in  
this county.

In July, all of these cousins and most of their children will gather in  
Kittson County for a reunion to celebrate the centennial of the farm.

Harley and Larry Younggren have farmed together  
since their father sold them land in 1967.  
Each own their own land for estate purposes.  
For this reason, we would like both names with  
that of their wives to appear on the certificate.

We would also like 2 certificates with both sets  
of names on each.

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Wendell Spencer

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Wendell Spencer

ADDRESS Route 5 Box 1008 Montevideo, Minnesota 56265  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code ( ) None

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP Lac Qui Parle COUNTY Lac Qui Parle

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160 - road rightaway 4 sides = 147a.

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1892

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? —

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) N.W. Quarter, Section 27, Town 118, Range 42

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Dan Gavitt d. 1901</u> <u>Elizabeth (Holman) Gavitt d. 1926</u>	<u>1892 - 1926</u>	<u>Elizabeth - Grandmother</u>
Next Owner <u>Ed Spencer d. 1982</u> <u>Ella (Hamre) Spencer d. 1987</u>	<u>1926 - 1987</u>	<u>Mother/Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Wendell Spencer</u>	<u>1987 - present</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent      ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed      ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Wendell Spencer  
(signature of present owner)

June 8, 95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? from <sup>the</sup> 6 founders of Lac Qui Parle

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$4000. for the parcel

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? London, England

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? NO, another one was. Part of this farm was an early village.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The farmhouse was in the village. County 1st Newspaper was on a still standing. Started life as a granary in 1869. This farm.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? General grain.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The Oxcart Trail <sup>went</sup> N.W. from the S.E. corner. Newspaper lead still shows up on east border. First County fair was held on the N. 80. Buffalo skull found in slough in 1968. Great spear point found by Ed in 1931. Unusual circles would show during random years in meadow - differing radius circles of miscolored grass near one another. Huge cottonwood still standing (1995) only tree left of once many - was saving lightning rod. My father came to the farm as a "town" kid in 1920, received the farm directly by will from his Grandma. father strip cropped + terraced the farm in the 50's, all destroyed when large scale renters farmed it as 1 field, downhill. I raised organic crops, open pollinated corn w/ high protein - such as from the late 30's.

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Carol Heine

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Wilfred and Carol Heine

ADDRESS RR#1 Box 75 New Prague MN 56071  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 758-4536

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP Lanesburgh COUNTY Le Seuer

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 69.74

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 6  
Township 112 Range 023

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner Fred Bohnsack	1881 - 1931	Father of Helmuth
Next Owner Helmuth Bohnsack	1931 - 1969	Uncle of Wilfred
Next Owner Wilfred Heine	1969 - 1980	Husband of Carol
Next Owner Carol Heine	1980 - present	
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.  
Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent (X) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Carol Heine  
(signature of present owner)

May 27, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? JOHN AND Philipina Madsen

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 146.55

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$40.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1994

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat, oats, corn and sugar beets

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Ruth J. HRUBY

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Ruth J. HRUBY - Honey Hill

ADDRESS Rt 1 Box 25 Montgomery, MN 56069  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 364-8803

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 18 TOWNSHIP 111 (Montgomery) COUNTY Le Sueur

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 234.43

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1860

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) Sec 18 TWP 111 Range 02,3  
W 1/2 of NW 1/4 Parcel R09.018.0100 and W 1/2 of NE 1/4 and E 1/2 of NW 1/4  
Parcel R09.018.2600

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Thomas Brabec</u>	<u>1860</u> <u>1893</u>	<u>father</u>
Next Owner <u>Albert Brabec</u>	<u>1893</u> <u>1955</u>	<u>husband</u>
Next Owner <u>Jennie Brabec</u>	<u>1955</u> <u>1960</u>	<u>mother</u>
Next Owner <u>Joseph &amp; Albert Brabec</u>	<u>1960</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>brother</u>
Next Owner <u>Joseph Brabec</u> <u>Ruth J. Hraby</u>	<u>1983</u> <u>1988</u> <u>1988</u> <u>present</u>	<u>uncle</u>

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Check those that apply:

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☐ Land Patent                              ☐ County land Record  
☒ Original Deed                              ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Ruth J. Hraby  
(signature of present owner)

Aug 29, 1994  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? estate of my uncle - Joseph W Brabec

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80A - homestead? 1860

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 100.00 A - 1850 1867  
3 - 3550 1909

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Austria

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? millwright  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? I think so

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The barn probably dates to before 1893. My mother said

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1922 her father, Albert

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Brabec, said he

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: I remember flax couldn't get

and hemp during WWII. married until

\_\_\_\_\_ he had a barn.

\_\_\_\_\_ He got married

\_\_\_\_\_ in 1893

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REC'D 1/30/95  
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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER Virginia (Miner) Larson  
NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE THE MINER FARM

W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Township 109 Range 023

1-29-1995  
(date)



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Estate of George D. Snow

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Colraine, Mass; Brattleboro, Vt.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? butcher

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

\* IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? unknown-probably

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Wm & Sarah Casper to Waterville immediately after the Civil War with infant Henry. They raised 7 boys and 1 girl on the home farm. Henry & Anna remained single and lived their entire lives on the home place. My dad, Denver was raised by the grandparents and Uncle Henry & Aunt Anna. Henry farmed for 70 years.

Adolph Plehn has painted a picture of the farm which I saw in LeSueur Co Museum in Clyman

These people were truly pioneers and were known to be hospitable to their many visitors & house guests.

\* My parents still live in the finer house and 2 large barns are standing

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PLEASE RETURN BY JULY 15

Enclosures

Mrs. Wm. Miner celebrated her 98th birthday last Thursday, October 21st with a few relatives and friends at her home south of Waterville. In the evening a few more friends surprised her by coming and entertaining her for an hour or more, then serving a delicious lunch which they brought. Mrs. Miner is enjoying comparatively good health, is able to be up and around and usually spends some time outdoors each day.

Mrs. Wm. H. Miner observed her 99th birthday anniversary last Friday, Oct. 21, at her home south of Waterville. Relatives who had dinner with the family that day were Mrs. Maurice Penfield and son Glen of Hayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Denver Miner, Mrs. John Miner, Mr. and Mrs. Gay Miner and son Gordon, of Waterville, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dickie and family of Elysian. Gordon Miner also celebrated his 24th birthday with his grandmother, who is very active and in good health for a lady of her advanced age. Mrs. Miner and her husband were early settlers in this county. Mr. Miner passed away a few years ago at the age of 93 years.

## Woman Marks 100th Birthday at Waterville

WATERVILLE, MINN. — Mrs. Sarah Ann Miner, who came to Waterville by horse and wagon in 1865, celebrated her one hundredth birthday here recently as relatives gathered to honor her.

Born in Brattleborough, Vt., she was married to William Miner in 1862 and three years later left for Minnesota. They came by railroad to Prairie du Chien, then up the river to Hastings and completed the journey to Waterville with horses.

The Miners had 10 children, four of whom survive. Mr. Miner died in 1932.

A grandson, Gordon Miner, who was born on Mrs. Miner's seventy-fifth birthday, celebrated his twenty-fifth birthday with her.

Mr. Wm. H. Miner, pioneer and respected resident of Waterville, died as he sat in his chair at his home there Monday morning. He was in his 92nd year. Obituary next week.

## Mrs. Wm. Miner Dies In 102nd Year

Mrs. William Miner, 101 years old, who was the oldest living resident of Waterville and this part of the state, was buried in Sakatah cemetery Sunday afternoon following funeral services conducted by Rev. O. Summers at the Waterville Baptist church. Mrs. Miner had been ill for only six months suffering from a combination of hardening of the arteries and leakage of the heart.

One hundred and one years, eight months and seven days old, Sarah Ann Richmond was born October 24, 1839, in Brattleboro, Vermont, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Richmond. She was married to William Miner in Brattleboro.

Following their marriage, the couple lived for a time in Greenfield, Mass., before coming to Waterville in 1865, immediately following the Civil War. To the union were born ten children, eight of whom, with their father, preceded their mother in death. Deceased children are: William, Louis, John, Leon, George, Gaius, James and Raymond. Surviving are one son, Henry, and the only daughter, Anna, with whom she made her home on the farm south of Waterville. Besides these, 11 grandchildren survive Mrs. Miner.

During her interesting life, Mrs. Miner fulfilled all of the affectionate duties of a devoted wife and mother. The pioneer woman always persisted in her intense interest in the march of events, keeping well informed on current news, and even in the last weeks of her illness, listened to the radio and took as much interest in the modern world as the younger generation.

Beloved among her large family she was well known among the townspeople of Waterville for her participation in community affairs. Mrs. Miner voted in last November's national election, climbing a steep flight of stairs in the city hall without aid to cast her ballot. Her passing marked the end of a long and active life.

Her death is mourned by the entire community, which was evidenced by the beautiful array of flowers presented at her funeral and the large number of friends and neighbors who attended the ceremonies both at the church and at the cemetery.

Pallbearers were Maurice Penfield, Russell Dickie, and Milo, Lynn, Denver and Gordon Miner.

1-29-95

# VIRGINIA

Ken,

With reference to our  
phone conversation 1-24-95—  
my dad had a stroke  
2 years ago so if you  
could send us a certi-  
ficate early before  
fair season I would  
appreciate it, and I  
know he would receive  
a great deal of pleasure  
and pride knowing it  
had been designated a  
Century Farm. He doesn't  
know I'm doing this.  
(over)

Since I don't know the  
layout of certificate and sign  
I'm requesting the following -

THE MINER FARM

Denver & June Miner and Virginia

(if possible)

Thank you for your help  
and cooperation.

Yours truly,  
Virginia R. Larson

V. R. Larson  
1040 Amundson Dr.  
Stillwater, MN 55082

439-4368





Feb. 7, 1995

Virginia Larson  
1040 Amundson Dr  
Stillwater MN 55082

Dear Virginia,

Thank you for submitting a Century Farm application. Per our recent phone conversation and your letter, enclosed is the Century Farm certificate designating your farm as a Century Farm. As you requested, the certificate reads "The Miner Farm: Denver & June Miner and Virginia."

The weatherproof metal sign will not be available until sometime this summer. It can be mailed to you as soon as it is available. Many of the county fairs, however, will be having Century Farm recognition programs this summer. If the LeSueur County Fair has one, it can be presented to you there. They will contact you if they are having a ceremony.

If there is anything else that you need, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (612) 642-2253.

Congratulations on the farm qualifying for Century Farm honors.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ken Giannini".

Ken Giannini  
Marketing Support Supervisor

enclosure

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
Minnesota State Agricultural Society  
1265 Snelling Ave N  
St. Paul, MN 55108-3099  
(612) 642-2200 • (612) 642-2440 FAX



Let it be known that this farm belonging to

**THE MINER FARM**  
Denver & June Miner and Virginia

has been in continuous agricultural operation

since eighteen hundred and seventy-seven,

signifying more than 100 years of service and contributions

to the community, state, nation, and world.

These accomplishments qualify this farm as a Century Farm as defined by the

Minnesota State Agricultural Society and the Minnesota Farm Bureau.

Signed, in this year of nineteen hundred and ninety-five.



Arne H. Carlson, Governor  
State of Minnesota



Howard Morris, President  
Minnesota State Agricultural Society

Minnesota State Fair  
**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

DEADLINE: July 1

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Terence and Sheryl Meyer

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Terence and Sheryl Meyer

ADDRESS RR 3 Box 120 Le Sueur MN 56058  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code ( 612) 665-2519 work - 612-665 3371

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP Tyrone COUNTY Le Sueur

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of section 26 Township 112 N of Range #25 W in Le Sueur County MN

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner Joseph and Mary Meyer	1895-1901	Father of Henry
Next Owner Henry Martin Meyer	1901-1951	Father of Ardo
Next Owner Ardo F Meyer	1951-1990	Father of Terence
Next Owner Terence M and Sheryl Meyer	1990- present	
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

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|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court File in Registration Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County land Record                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                           |

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Terence Meyer  
(signature of present owner)

June 26, 1995  
(date)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? August and Wilhelmina Woller

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$51.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Alsace-Lorraine, France

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Granary, small shed

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1913

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, alfalfa, small grain

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Dairy cows until barn burned in 1955

Raised hogs

cash crop currently- soybeans, corn, wheat



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## Meyer

Joseph Meyer was born in Alsace-Lorraine France. He came to America at the age of nineteen. He met Mary Schweigel, a native of Baden, Germany, in New Orleans. Mary came to Le Sueur and married Joseph in 1867. They had nine children: Mary (Mrs. Luke O'Malley), Hubert and Alphonse who died of scarlet fever and diphtheria at the ages of three and five, John married to Julie Bucher, Frank married to Ellen Hayden, Henry married to Anne Frost, Margaret (Mrs. Theodore Durenberger), Josephine, and David. Frank, Henry, and David farmed in Tyrone Township.

Frank and Ellen Hayden Meyer's family consisted of: Wilfred married to Florence Meger, Hayden married to Rose Doktor, Coletta (Mrs. Matt Thell), Francis, "Omer," married to Helen Siehndel, Estelle, and Florian married to Ruth Haas.

Francis, "Omer," and his wife farmed in the area until his death in 1981. They had seven children: Gail, Gerard, Steven, Gwen, Dennis, Sally, and Kevin. Kevin and his wife, Debbie Peterson, live in the parish. They have one son, Matt. Kevin and Mrs. Joseph Doherty are the only two great-grandchildren of Joseph Meyer still at St. Thomas.



Joseph and Mary Schweigle Meyer

The Ardo Meyer family has been members of the St. Thomas parish for four generations. The farm was established by Joseph Meyer in 1895. It was passed on to Henry who was married to Anna Frost. They raised five sons: Paul, Clement, Norbert, Ardo, and Clair. Ardo purchased the land from his father. He married Berniece Kienlen. They had five children: Robert married to Mary Lou Stresnak, Mary Kay (Mrs. Michael Kraker), Terence married to Sheryl Sinell, Gregory married to Pam Hughes, and Rosemary (Mrs. Patrick Goggin). Ardo passed away in May, 1979, on the farm where he was born and raised.

## From Le Sueur Town on the River

This log house erected in the 1860s in Tyrone Township by the parents of the Meyer Brothers, Frank Henry, John and Dave, pictured here left to right. The structure, made of unhewn logs was still quite sturdy in 1958, when this picture was taken though it has since been moved from its original location. All four boys were born in the house which was on the Dave Meyer farm. There was also a sister, Mrs. Theo. Durenberger who lived in Le Sueur.



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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM EARL C VOSS

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE EARL C VOSS

ADDRESS RT #1 Box 26 Lesueur MN 56058  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 665-3796

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 30 TOWNSHIP SHARON COUNTY Lesueur

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT EARL-193 Randy 285

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1892

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) Section 30

township 111 Range 025

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Conrad Voss</u>	<u>1892-1914</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>George Voss</u>	<u>1914-1966</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner <u>EARL Voss</u>	<u>1966-</u>	<u>GRANDSON</u>
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed (X) Other: Tax STATEMENT

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Earl C Voss  
(signature of present owner)

May 29-1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Richard Lindeman

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 180 Acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$8100 For 180 acres

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1st Part 1889 - Add on Later

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - Oats - Barley - Wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Soy beans - Peas - Sugar Beets



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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM June E. Zook

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE June And Vernon Zook

ADDRESS 6566 France Ave. So, Edina, MN, 55435  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code 612 - 926 - 2392

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE LAKE Jefferson, CLEVELAND, MN 56017

SECTION 01 + 36 TOWNSHIP CLEVELAND COUNTY LE Sueur

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 113.26

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1863

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

sect 01 - Twp - 109 - R025 - lot 1 - NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 - 3A of lot 2 - 73 ACRES  
sect - 36 - Twp 110 - R025 - SE 1/4 & SW 1/4 - 40 ACRES

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>JACOB WILBERT</u> <u>AND MARGARETHA (Margaret)</u>	<u>1863 - 1903</u>	<u>FATHER of LOUIS</u>
Next Owner <u>LOUIS A. WILBERT</u>	<u>1903 - 1951</u>	<u>Husband and Father</u> <u>of 3 daughters</u>
Next Owner <u>EDITH WILBERT - wife</u> <u>of LOUIS, CAROLINE, CLAIRE</u>	<u>1951 - 1955</u>	<u>Wife of LOUIS</u>
Next Owner <u>CLAIRE Fishbaugh</u>	<u>1955 - 1985</u>	<u>DAUGHTER of LOUIS</u>
Next Owner <u>JUNE E. ZOOK</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Niece of CLAIRE</u>

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title                      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent                                ( ) County land Record  
☐ Original Deed                                ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

June E. Zook  
(signature of present owner)

July 1, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Joseph Schepperke - School Lands

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 75 ACRES

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 100.00 down 350.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST MUSICIAN, CARPENTER

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? BAVN STILL STANDING - LATE 1800's

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1920's

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat, corn, Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Arthur D. & Elmer J. Koopman

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Hans Nelson Family Farm

ADDRESS P. O. Box 71 Ivanhoe MN 56142-0071  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 694-1703

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE RT 2 Box 88 Ivanhoe MN 56142

SECTION 8 & 9 TOWNSHIP Ash Lake COUNTY Lincoln

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240 ac.

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 9-3-1884

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) NE 1/4 Sec. 8 Twp. 111 Range 45 less 22 rods x 22 rods in NE 1/4 NE 1/4 deeded for cemetery and SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 Sec. 9 Twp. 111 Range 45.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Hans &amp; Maria Nelson</u>	<u>1884-1945</u>	<u>Parents</u>
Next Owner <u>Carl Nelson, Elof Nelson &amp; Alice Koopman</u>	<u>1945-1946</u>	<u>3 Children</u>
Next Owner <u>Carl &amp; Elof Nelson</u>	<u>1946-1982</u>	<u>2 Sons only</u>
Next Owner <u>Elof Nelson</u>	<u>1982-1993</u>	<u>Only son</u>
Next Owner <u>Arthur Koopman, Elmer Koopman &amp; Melvin Koopman</u>	<u>1993-1994</u>	<u>3 Nephews</u>
Next Owner <u>Arthur D. Koopman, Elmer J. Koopman</u>	<u>1994-Present</u>	<u>2 Nephews only</u>

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Check those that apply:

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☐ Land Patent ☐ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Arthur D. Koopman / Elmer J. Koopman 6-15-95  
(signature of present owner) (date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homestead Patent - Winona & St. Peter  
HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres (Additional Railroad)  
WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 4<sup>00</sup> total (80 ac. purchased in 1907 for \$720)  
WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Husgard Veberod Sweden  
DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_  
WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes  
IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes - Original home (shanty) and the barn  
WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? Approximately 1905  
WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Cats, barley, corn, wheat & speltz, cream & eggs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Being of Swedish ancestry and wishing to have a church built in the area, Hans Nelson, in 1887, deeded a parcel of land (approx 3 ac.) to the Swedish Ev. Lutheran Elin church for a church & cemetery. In 1942 the congregation consolidated with Bethany Lutheran Church and the old church was torn down. The cemetery had been taken care of by the Nelsons all these years and now the third generation, Arthur & Elmer (present owners) are caretakers.

In 1931 a 2 ac. parcel of land in Sec. 9 was deeded to the Dist. #13 school for a rural school house. When the school closed, the land reverted back to the farm.

The original home (shanty) is still on the farm and was used for storage later years. The family lived in it until approximately 1905 when the present house was built. The old barn is still on the farm too. At one time it was used for chickens. Attached is a copy of a picture of the farm yard taken about 1905.

This is presently a third generation farm.

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JUN 26 1995

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM James + Shirley Snyder

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE James + Shirley Snyder

ADDRESS RR 1 Box 198 Marshall MN 56258  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 532-6705

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP Clifton COUNTY Lyon

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1881

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

SW 1/4 Sec 4 Twp 111 Range 40

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Bastian Snyder</u>	<u>1881 - 1941</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
Next Owner <u>Gordon, Charles, Cecil, Warren, Gladys + Mildred Snyder</u>	<u>1941 - 1949</u>	<u>Brothers + Sisters</u>
Next Owner <u>Gordon + Alice Snyder</u>	<u>1949 - 1982</u>	<u>Father + Mother</u>
Next Owner <u>James + Shirley Snyder</u>	<u>1982 - Present</u>	
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

James Snyder Shirley Snyder  
(signature of present owner)

June 22, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Mathew + Janet Wilson

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$5.625 Total price \$900.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Wisconsin

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes ALL OF The original house.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1875 - Built on to in 1900

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Oats, wheat, hay - corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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JUN 20 1999

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Eloi Stossen

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Stossen Angus Farm

ADDRESS R3 Box 247 Marshall Minn 56258  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code ( ) 507 — 428 — 3465

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 19 TOWNSHIP Sainview COUNTY Lyon

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Oct 22 - 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) the NE quarter N.E. 1/4 W. 1/4 SE 1/4 of Sec 19 township 112 N of Range 41 West of the 5th Principle Meridian

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Louis Stossen</u>	<u>Oct. 28 - 1895</u>	<u>Grandfather</u>
Next Owner <u>Louis Stossen</u>	<u>May 28 - 1938</u>	<u>Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Eloi Stossen</u>	<u>May 24 - 1964</u>	<u>Son</u>
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent      ( ) County land Record  
☐ Original Deed      ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Eloi Stossen  
(signature of present owner)

Jun 15 95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

Louis Stossen

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

240

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

\$200.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

Belgium

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

no

IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

1977

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

alfalfa hays & corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

It is now called Stossen Angus Farm  
Have been in Reg Angus bus. for  
46 years

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PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER <sup>son.</sup> Randy and Grace Anderson <sup>mother</sup>  
 (this name will appear on certificate) <sup>widow of Edor</sup>  
 ADDRESS Rte 2 Box 152 Newfalden MN 56738 <sup>Anderson</sup>

PHONE NUMBER (218) 874-2221 CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
 area code JUN 19 1995

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE SAME as above

SECTION 30 TOWNSHIP West Valley COUNTY MARSHALL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 40.800

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Spring of 1882 Homesteaded

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

E 1/2 SW 1/4 and Lots 3 & 4 Sec 30 Twp 157 Rge 45

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM 1882	
<u>Anders Anderson</u>	TO 1882 1915	<u>Grandfather of Simon &amp; Abel</u>
next owner	from 1915	
<u>Simon and John Anderson</u>	to 1942	<u>brother son of Anderson</u>
next owner	from 1942	
<u>John and Abel Anderson</u>	to 1942	<u>brother sons of Anderson</u>
next owner	from 1942	<u>son of Anderson</u>
<u>Abel Anderson</u>	to 1972	<u>father father of Edor</u>
next owner	from 1972	
<u>Edor Anderson and wife Grace</u>	to 1993	<u>husband son of Abel wife of son of Edor</u>
<u>Grace Anderson</u>	1993 - Present	<u>Randy Anderson Edor + Grace's son</u>

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records. Indicate by check marks those that apply. DO NOT SEND RECORDS.

Abstract of Title ☒ Court file in Registration Proceedings ( ) Land & lives on farm as well as Grace  
 Land Patent ☒ County Land Record ( )  
 Original Deed ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Grace Anderson  
 (signature of present owner)

DATE 6-14-95

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
 MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
 ST. PAUL MN 55108

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U A Govt.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? homesteaded

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Rockford, Norway

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Wasco, Mo.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? Yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Lay Minister

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1990

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Beef cattle, wheat, Barley, Corn  
Sunflowers alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

History is written up in Marshall  
Co History Book.

There is a sign at end of driveway saying  
1st road built in West Valley Twp, ~~is~~  
built in 1886.

Bemina trail is west of us 1/4 mile.  
Farm is located in bend of Middle River so  
that is why ancestors settled here to be near  
water.

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM CURTIS & DONNA CARLSON

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE CURTIS & DONNA CARLSON

ADDRESS R1 Box 132 ARGYLE MN 56713  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 437-8168

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 11 TOWNSHIP BIGWOODS COUNTY MARSHALL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 760

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY DEC 23 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

3 1/2 of NW 1/4 of sec 11 Twp 156  
RANGE 50

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>CARL CARLSON</u>	<u>1895 - 1945</u>	<u>Husband of Hedda</u> <u>FATHER of HENRY</u> <u>&amp; WALTER</u>
Next Owner <u>Hedda CARLSON</u>	<u>1945 - 1954</u>	<u>Mother of HENRY</u> <u>&amp; WALTER</u>
Next Owner <u>CARLSON BROTHERS</u> <u>HENRY &amp; WALTER</u>	<u>1954 - 1976</u>	<u>CARLSON BROTHERS</u> <u>FATHER &amp; UNCLE</u> <u>of CURTIS</u>
Next Owner <u>CURTIS &amp; DONNA CARLSON</u>	<u>1976</u> <u>Present</u> <u>owners</u>	
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent (X) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed (X) Other: Marriage Record

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Curtis H. Carlson  
(signature of present owner)

6-24-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Halvor & RAGNHILD HARRIS

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$9.375

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NONE the Home built first Tore down in 1980

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1914 Built by my GRANDPARENTS

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat BARLEY FLAX

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

The Harris purchased this land from the Railroad. He bought 160 acres and decided almost immediately he didn't need 160 acres so sold 1/2 of quarter section to my Grandfather. I (Curtis Carlson) am now serving as a County Commissioner in Marshall Co so our Son Paul Carlson is operating the farm. We still live in the same home my Grandparent built in 1914. Even though its been remodeled the original dimensions are still the same.

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MAY 12 1999

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM CLARENCE A. + LOIS PETERSON JR.

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE CLARENCE A. + LOIS PETERSON JR.

ADDRESS RR#1 Box 99 STEPHEN MINN. 56757  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code ( )

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP PARKER COUNTY MARSHALL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 400

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY December 31 1894 ✓

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) 5 1/2 N.E. 1/4  
TOWNSHIP 157 RANGE 49

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>PETERSON</u> <u>CHARLES A. + MATHILDE</u>	<u>DECEMBER 31, 1894</u> <u>to</u> <u>July 26, 1950</u>	<u>GRANDPARENTS</u>
Next Owner <u>CLARENCE A. + LOIS PETERSON</u>	<u>July 26, 1950</u> <u>to</u> <u>PRESENT DAY</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Clarence A Peterson Jr  
(signature of present owner)

5-8-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? FROM GRANDPARENTS

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? UNKNOWN

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1964

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? WHEAT, BARLEY, FLAX

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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JUN 7 1995

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM ERNEST O. RUE

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Ernest O. Rue

ADDRESS Rt. 4 Box 71 Grigla Minnesota 56727  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 294-6322

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE no

SECTION 35 TOWNSHIP Eschall COUNTY Marshall

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Homestead 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? no IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

NE 1/4 Sec. 35 Township 156 Range 40

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Simon T. Rue</u>	<u>1895 - 1958</u>	<u>Ernest O. Rue</u>
Next Owner		<u>son.</u>
Next Owner		
Next Owner		
Next Owner <u>Ernest O. Rue</u>	<u>1959 - Present.</u>	<u>Son of Simon T. Rue</u>

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title ☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent ☐ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Ernest O. Rue  
(signature of present owner)

6-5-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homestead - Chippewa Land.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Homestead not purchased

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Houston County Minnesota

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? yes  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST Blacksmith

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1948

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Grass seed - wheat.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: barley - oats - flax.

No one else has lived on this land except  
Simon T. Rue and his family.

Ernest - Selma and Cora Rue are presently  
living on this land.

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## STORY

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eneral Store in Grygla.

Ferdie assisted his father for awhile and then found a job in Thief River Falls where he worked at the city desk as salesman for the Thief River Grocery Store. This was a wholesale grocery which later was owned by the Nash-Finch Company.

After working in Thief River Falls for a few years, Ferdie came back to Grygla which by that time had become a growing, flourishing settlement. In 1927, Ferdie had an addition built onto the Brown Store which was used as a new department that handled both groceries and hardware.

In the early 1930's the Big Depression hit the entire United States including Grygla. People could not pay their bills or buy anything except the bare necessities. The Brown Store closed, all except a small grocery inventory. The economic depression of the early 30's caused panic among the people. The crisis was characterized by falling prices, restricted credit, and unemployment and caused many people to leave Grygla to try to find work. This depression caused fear and panic which is not true of all depressions. People who had been having good jobs were dismissed and came home to live with their parents, which in turn caused a further drop in purchasing power. Many people blamed the political party in Washington for failure to find a solution to the crisis.

In 1934, Ferdie Brown was appointed The Postmaster of the Grygla Post Office. Some people said that it was through political power of his father's friend.

In 1916, Ferdie married Myrtle Blaine of St. Hilaire. Ferdie served as Postmaster under five Presidents: Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, and a few days under Lyndon B. Johnson. He was efficient and well liked.

His first salary was \$1400 per year. His salary was increased as soon as the economy of the United States improved. In 1946, Ferdie purchased the former railroad depot, which had been located at Goodridge and was built in 1914 when the Electric train was operated daily from Thief River Falls to Goodridge. When the railroad ceased operating, the building was offered for sale.

After Ferdie retired from the Postmaster business, he moved to St. Hilaire. Mrs. Brown, Elmer Blaine and James Blaine were full brothers and sister, and Harold Enerson of Goodridge was their half brother. When they were growing up they all attended the country school at Grygla.

## SIMON AND CLARA (THORSON) RUE

Simon T. Rue was born in Houston County, MN to Tar and Hege Rue in 1875. He received his education at Climax, MN. He came from Climax to Marshall County in 1895 where he homesteaded on a farm at the age of 21 years. He made his home on a farm for 62 years until his death in 1957 and is buried at St. Petri Cemetery. He was church secretary and a charter member of St. Petri Church. He was school Treasurer for 20 years and also township supervisor. He was a farmer located in Sec. 35 of Eckvoll Township of Marshall County.

Simon T. Rue married Clara Thorson at the Liner Church in 1909 and settled on the homestead.

Clara Thorson was born at Hillsboro, ND in 1884 to Henry Thorson and Johanne Granum. She came to Marshall County in 1900. She started from Hillsboro in October 1900 with her parents and Mr. and Mrs. Anton Nordby from Halstad, MN. There were seven in the party in a covered wagon with a few cows.

They got stuck in the mud with the wagons east of Thief River Falls, and had to spend the night there. Due to wet ground they had to stay at Torwick, now Mavie, for three weeks until the ground froze. They settled on a farm in Eckvoll Township where she lived until she married Simon.

Simon had 2 cows, and 3 horses and some machinery but bought more cows and began churning butter. He often would walk to the Liner Store, owned by Ole Landlie, and return with flour, sugar, and coffee. Sometimes they had to go to Thief River Falls for supplies which would take three or four days.

They also took cream and eggs to Golden Valley which is now in the Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge. Most of the time Mrs. Rue had one horse and a two seat buggy and sometimes several ladies would go along with their produce.

Mrs. Rue was one of the first to start Ladies Aide. The women would walk and carry the small children, sometimes coming barefoot. At that time they would serve dinners.

Mrs. Clara Rue died in 1967 and is buried in St. Petri Cemetery. Mr. Rue is also buried there.

The Simon Rues had six children. Hulda- Mrs. Adolph Christianson, Helmar, Carl, Ernest, Cora, and Selma. Ernest, Cora, and Selma still farm on the homestead. They are well known for the fresh eggs they sell. Carl lives not to far away on his farm and Hulda still lives by herself not far from them.

## GERHEART AND MARIE NORDVICK

Gerheart Nordvick came from Norway in 1897. His brother Iver Anderson had come the year before and sent back money to help Gerheart come. Gerheart and Iver sent money for more of the family to come including their parents, the Andrew Andersons, who homesteaded one mile west of Highway 89 where the Gilberts lived.

Gerheart homestead where the present Nordvick home is. Bert Nordvick homesteaded 160 acres to the east side.

The Nordvick name was taken from the place in Norway where they came from, far north along the Arctic Circle in the land of the Midnight Sun.

Gerheart worked as a carpenter for about three years in the Thief River Falls area. While he was building his cabin he heard hammering a short distance north of the home. He went to investigate and found someone building a homestead cabin on the same land. After checking the papers it was found the Nordvicks' papers were filed first so he got to stay and other man had to go elsewhere.

After several lonely years Gerheart decided to write home to Norway to his boyhood friend Marie. He believed

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Merle & Marion Gieseke

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE MERLE & MARION GIESEKE

ADDRESS RR#2 Box 24 Fairmont MN 56031  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 235-5863

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Same

SECTION 22 TOWNSHIP Rutland COUNTY Martin

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Nov 8 1993

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

W 1/2 SW 1/4 AND SE 1/4 SW 1/4 AND SW 1/4 SE 1/4  
SECTION 22 - 103 - 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>ERNEST GIESEKE</u>	<u>1893 To 1936</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>HERMAN GIESEKE</u>	<u>1936 To 1964</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>MERLE GIESEKE</u>	<u>1964 To 1995</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records

Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title ☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent ☐ County land Record  
☒ Original Deed ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Merle Gieseke  
(signature of present owner)

5-26-1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? A.D. CADWELL

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 11.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? ILL.

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN  
USE? BARN AND GRANERY

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1972

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? OATS, CORN, HAY, Hogs,

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: HORSES AND MILK COWS



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Wm. F. Hein, Trust & Richard & Gloria Hein

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Wm. F. Hein, Trust & Richard & Gloria Hein

ADDRESS RR #1 Box 157 Welcome Minnesota 56181  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 728-8207

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 33 TOWNSHIP Fraser COUNTY Martin

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 138

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 6-29-1885

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
SW 1/4 of Section 33 Twp 103 Range 3

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Hoben Hein</u>	<u>1885-1946</u>	<u>Father to William</u>
Next Owner <u>Wm F Hein</u>	<u>1946-1978</u>	<u>(Same person) Put in trust</u>
Next Owner <u>Wm. F. Hein, Trust</u>	<u>1978-1986</u>	<u>Father to Richard</u>
Next Owner <u>Wm F. Hein, Trust &amp; Richard &amp; Gloria Hein</u>	<u>1986-Present</u>	
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records  
Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent      ☐ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed      ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Richard Hein  
(signature of present owner)

June 8, 95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Henry & Anna Yactorwic

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$31.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Not sure

IF SO, PLEASE LIST We heard he was also a carpenter

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The original house is now our living room.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? In the 1880's

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, oats, hay & pasture

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Henry Yactorwic bought this 160 acres from the railroad. We don't know when the house was built or added on to. We hope some day our son, Paul will live here and the Hein name will continue.

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1995

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Railroad

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 640

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1970

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, oats, soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

560 acres of the original 640 acres  
are still in the Schofer family



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER

Harry Thate  
(this name will appear on certificate)

1995

ADDRESS

914 Budd St. Fairmont

MN

56031

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

(507) 235-9763

area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

R 2 Box 146 Granada, MN 56039

SECTION

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TOWNSHIP

102

Range 29

COUNTY

Martin

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT

80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

January 1895

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement)

5 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Sec 30 Twp 102  
Range 29

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
first owner	FROM	
<u>Charles Thate</u>	<u>1-1895</u>	
	TO	<u>Father</u>
next owner	<u>3-1950</u>	
<u>Harry Thate</u>	<u>3-1950</u>	
next owner		
next owner		
next owner		

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Abstract of Title ☒

Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )

Land Patent ( )

County Land Record ☒

Original Deed ( )

OTHER

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Harry Thate  
(signature of present owner)

PLEASE RETURN TO:

CENTURY FARMS  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
ST. PAUL MN 55108

DATE

11-9-93

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? C. N. Petersen

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1300.00 \$16.25

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Hanover, Germany

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? Fairmont, Minn.

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? added on to original

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn & beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:



Feb. 11, 1994

Harry Thate  
914 Budd St  
Fairmont MN 56031

Dear Mr. Thate,

Thank you for submitting a Century Farm application. In reviewing the application, we noticed that the first year of ownership by Charles Thate was 1895. Given that information, your farm will not be eligible for Century Farm recognition until next year.

I will keep your application on file, and will enter it in next year's program.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (612) 642-2253. Once again, thank you for the application and for your interest in the Century Farm program.

Sincerely;

  
Ken Giannini  
Special Promotions Superintendent

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
Minnesota State Agricultural Society  
1265 Snelling Ave N  
St. Paul, MN 55108-3099  
(612) 642-2200 • (612) 642-2440 FAX



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY *Letter sent 4/20/95*

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER LEONARD + LENORE WENDT *REC'D 3/23/95*  
 (this name will appear on certificate)

ADDRESS Box 193 TRUMAN MN. 56088  
 CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER (507) 728 8693  
 area code

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 33 TOWNSHIP WAVERLEY COUNTY MARTIN

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY OCT. 1895 ✓

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_  
SW 1/4 AND NW 1/4 RANGE 13

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP		
NAME	YEARS OF OWNERSHIP	BLOOD RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
<u>first owner</u>		
<u>ROBERT + ALVINA WENDT</u>	FROM <u>1895</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
<u>next owner</u>	TO <u>1945</u>	
<u>EMIL + META WENDT</u>	<u>1945</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
<u>next owner</u>	<u>to 1972</u>	
<u>LEONARD + LENORE WENDT</u>	<u>1972</u>	
<u>next owner</u>		
<u>next owner</u>		
<u>next owner</u>		

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Abstract of Title (✓)      Court file in Registration Proceedings ( )  
 Land Patent ( )      County Land Record (X)  
 Original Deed (✓)      OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

LeNore Wendt  
 (signature of present owner)

DATE Mar. 21, 1995

PLEASE RETURN TO:  
 CENTURY FARMS  
 MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
 ST. PAUL, MN 55108



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? RAIL ROAD - THEN - CHRIS WENOT THEN W HARMENING <sup>prior to 1895</sup>

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? ~~NEW YORK~~ - IN GERMANY

WHERE DID HE LIVE PRIOR TO MOVING ONTO THE FARM? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE FARM THE LAND? YES

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes <sup>2</sup>

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDINGS STILL STANDING OR IN USE? HOME (REMODELLED)

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN Soy BEANS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Merrill and Delores Gehrke

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Same as above

ADDRESS 1763 Tagus Ave. Brownston MN 55312  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612)-328-4140

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 35 and 36 TOWNSHIP Bound Grove COUNTY McLeod

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1890/1891

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Joseph Farnholz &amp; Christina Farnholz</u> <u>Land Dept Hastings Dak Railway</u>	<u>Feb 5 - 1880</u> <u>Jan. 29 - 1890</u>	<u>None</u> <u>none</u>
Next Owner <u>Reinhard Schwarzsrock</u>	<u>Jan. 29 - 1890 and</u> <u>April 30 - 1891 and Feb 7 1890</u>	<u>father</u>
Next Owner <u>Herbert Schwarzsrock</u>	<u>Nov. 23 - 1923 - 1976</u>	<u>son</u>
Next Owner <u>Merrill &amp; Delores Gehrke</u>	<u>Sept 15 - 1976 -</u>	<u>daughter</u>
Next Owner _____	_____	_____

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title                      ☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent                              ☒ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed                            ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Merrill & Delores Gehrke  
(signature of present owner)

April 17 - 1995  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$520.00 for 80 acres Feb 5 - 1880  
\$600 for 40 acres Jan 29 - 1890

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1951

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? dairy, poultry, hogs, corn, small grain and hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

### MERRILL and DELORES GEHRKE FARM

Reinhard Schwarzrock was born on February 4, 1859 in Kania, Germany. Bertha Steinke was born June 27, 1862 in Rosen, Germany. They were married October 4, 1884 in Labischin Kania, Germany. Their honeymoon was spent on a boat coming to America. They settled in Round Grove Township and received title for the land that is now the Merrill and Delores (Schwarzrock) Gehrke farm. Reinhard and Bertha had nine children: Ernst, Erich, Angeline, Edith, Bernhard, Albert, Wilhelm, Herbert, and Erna. Bertha died September 5, 1924 and Reinhard passed away December 21, 1927.

Reinhard and Bertha's son, Herbert, and his wife, Tillie (Borchert), received title to this farm in 1927. Herb was born August 24, 1900; Tillie was born July 22, 1902; and they were married June 20, 1922. Their daughter, Delores, was born December 7, 1925.

Herb passed away as the result of a stroke on August 9, 1966. His wife, Tillie, died of cancer on January 30, 1977.

Herb and Tillie's daughter, Delores, married Merrill Gehrke on October 11, 1950. The couple worked and lived on this farm as hired hands. After her father's death in 1966, Delores and her husband, Merrill, began the process of purchasing the farm. They received title to the land in 1976.

Merrill and Delores have one daughter, Jerilyn, born October 29, 1954. She and her husband, Randy Ricke, live on a farm in nearby Bismark Township. Merrill and Randy continue to farm land together. Randy and Jerilyn have two sons: Ryan, born July 21, 1984 and Dustin, born September 13, 1988.

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Harold A. Severson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Harold A. Severson

ADDRESS 17234 Cable Ave  
Lester Prairie, Mn. 55354

(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 395-2061

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Bergen 116 COUNTY McLeod

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 154 Acres

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY September 20, 1865

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) Bergen Township 116  
Range 27, Section 10 McLeod co.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Ole Severson</u>	<u>1865 - 1895</u>	<u>Brother to Knut</u>
Next Owner <u>Knut Severson</u>	<u>1895 - 1941</u>	<u>Father of Olaf</u>
Next Owner <u>Olaf Severson</u>	<u>1941 - 1951</u>	<u>Husband of Helga</u>
Next Owner <u>Helga Severson</u>	<u>1951 - 1962</u>	<u>Mother of Harold</u>
Next Owner <u>Harold Severson</u>	<u>1962 - Present</u>	

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I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Harold A. Severson  
(signature of present owner)

6-20-95  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Josephine Gilbert

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$3.75 per acre Total cost \$600.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Aurdal Valdres, Norway

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1966

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, soybeans, alfalfa, wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: copies enclosed from McLeod County History Book 1978 &  
Lester Prairie Community 1886 - 1986

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## SEVERSON [SYVERSON]

Syver Erickson Hoff (Oct. 10, 1798-Sept. 28, 1866) was born and raised in Aurdal Valdres, Norway and married to Anne Olsdt Onstadmarken (May 8, 1808-Sept. 30, 1899). They had nine children: Erik (1829), Ole Syverson Hoff Sr. (Sept. 2, 1843-Oct. 4, 1925), Ole Syverson Jr. (not married-buried by Wroge residence), Anne (1840), Berit (Mrs. Peder Sorenson Dec. 18, 1831-Aug. 10, 1908), Maria (Mrs. Tidemann Bakke Hill 1846-1914 lived in Perry, Wisc.), Knut (June 17, 1853-Apr. 22, 1911), Syver (July 16, 1837-Mar. 16, 1912) and Andreas (Sept. 1857-May 17, 1928).

On March 22, 1862 two brothers both named Ole Syverson Hoff, Syver, and two sisters, Maria and Berit, and Berit's husband, Peder Sorenson, immigrated to America and settled in Bergen Township, Section 10, on what has been the Severson farm since that time. The history of the land ownership is:

An act of Congress dated March 3, 1855, provided that officers or soldiers who served in the military could be granted land homesteads. Jose Na Ramelley was awarded the 160 acres described as SE ¼ Section 10-116-27, signed on March 2, 1863 by W.O. Stroddard acting as deputy to Abraham Lincoln. He immediately assigned his total interest to Levi Butler who became the homesteader of the 160 acres. On July 2, 1862, an agricultural college act conveyed 160 acres of land described as the SW ¼ Section 10-116-28 to Josephine Gilbert. This conveyance was confirmed by a patent issued and signed on May 1, 1866 by Edward D. Neill acting as deputy for Pres. Andrew Johnson. Apparently Josephine Gilbert was first to occupy and build on this farm as a homesteader. On Sept. 20, 1865, Josephine Gilbert sold the 160 acres plus another 40 acres for a total of 200 acres to Ole Severson for \$600, this was only \$3.00 per acre. On March 7, 1868 Peder and Berit Sorenson (sister of Ole) bought 40 acres of this land. On January 5, 1895 Knut Severson purchased the land and his family farmed this land. In 1942 his son Olaf returned to Bergen Township after having spent a few years farming at Ettrick, Wisconsin, until 1951 when he passed away and his son Harold Severson continues farming the Severson Homestead today.

The father, Syver Erickson Hoff, died and was buried in Valdres, Norway in 1866. Anne, his wife, was granted attestation (called Anne Marquette Olsdt Rothhaugen) and on May 1872, she with her two younger sons, Knut (age 19) and Andreas (age 16) left for America to join the rest of the family in Bergen Township. The brothers bought land and worked and lived together until they decided to divide it equally.

ANDREW married Bertha Seemann (Apr. 20, 1870-Jan. 23, 1893) a daughter of John and Juliana Seemann. Three children were born to this union: Alice (Mrs. Gustav Amundson), Anna and Lillian. Bertha contracted pneumonia and died quite suddenly. Bertha along with her parents and sister are buried in the Winsted Catholic Cemetery. With the help of his mother, Andrew raised the three daughters. An uncle, Syver Severson, lived with them also. Some years later Andrew remarried to Tina (1859-July 8, 1940). They lived in Fergus Falls from 1914-19 and then in Longmont, Colorado, following which they moved to Long Beach, California. He was in the business of buying and selling real estate. Andrew and Tina are both buried in Sunnyside Mausoleum in California.

KNUT on June 5, 1891 married Ingeborg Hagen (June 11, 1860-Oct. 28, 1936) a daughter of Iver and Olive Hagen. Ingeborg had two children: Olive (Mrs. Charles Chadwick) and Clara (1886-1896). Knut and Ingeborg lived their entire life on their farm in Section 10, Bergen Township. They were blessed with four children: Olaf (Aug. 9, 1891-Mar. 4, 1951), Agnes (1893-1896), Eda (Jan 1, 1895-Mar. 13, 1985 Mrs. Theodore Enerson) and Arthur (Apr. 26, 1896-Jan. 19, 1980).

OLAF farmed with his brother Arthur on the homeplace for several years. On March 20, 1926 Olaf married Helga Thompson (Dec. 24, 1897) of Ettrick, Wis. He farmed the 154 acres near Lester Prairie, until they moved to Wisconsin and purchased a farm at Ettrick. To this union five children were born: Harold, Ardye (Mrs. Roy Johnson of Wiggins, Colorado), Arnold and twins Donald and Donna (Mrs. Ralph Machemehl).

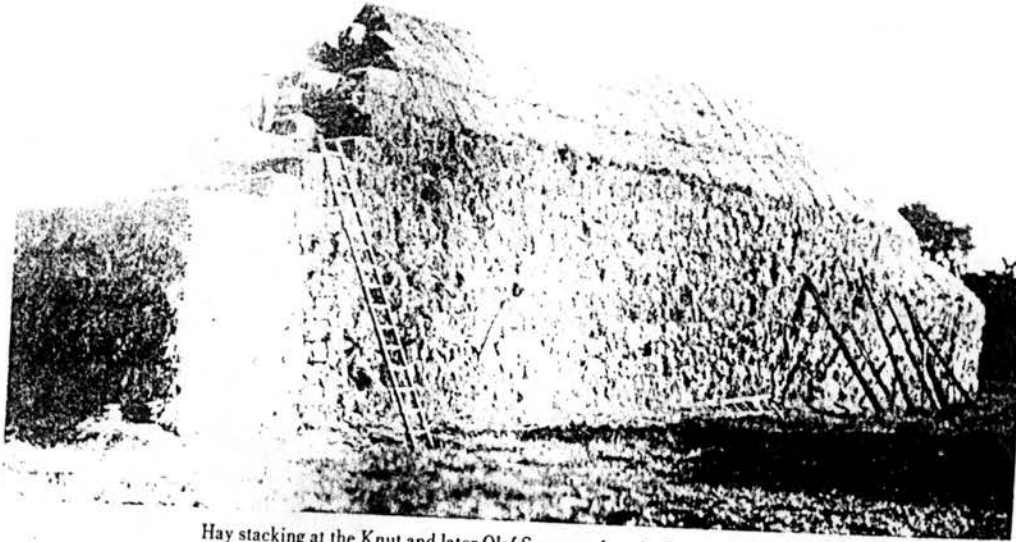
Harold took over the farming after his father passed away and is still farming the Severson Homestead. Harold is married to Lois Sandquist of Watertown and have four children: Patricia, Gail, Wayne and Chuck.

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## KNUT AND INGEBOG SEVERSON

Knut was born June 17, 1853 in Aurdal, Norway. He was the son of Syver Syverson and Anne Onstadmarken. In 1868 at the age of 15 years he immigrated to the United States with his mother and brother Andrew. Three brothers and two sisters had immigrated to the United States earlier and settled on land in Bergen Township. This land is still farmed by his grandson, Harold Severson.

Knut married Ingeborg Hagen in 1891 who was also from Aurdal, Norway. He purchased some of the land in Bergen Township which had been purchased earlier by his brothers.



Hay stacking at the Knut and later Olaf Severson farm in Bergen Township.

Five children were born to them; Olaf, Eda, Arthur and two daughters who died at an early age of diphtheria. They lived their entire life on their farm in Section 10 of Bergen Township. Knut died April 22, 1911 and Ingeborg on October 28, 1936.

## OLAF AND HELGA SEVERSON FAMILY

Olaf was born on August 9, 1891 in Bergen Township, the son of Knut Severson and Ingeborg Hagen.

He farmed with his brother Arthur on the homestead for several years. On March 20, 1926 he married Helga Annette Thompson of Ettrick, Wisconsin. He farmed the 154 acres near Lester Prairie, until they moved to Wisconsin and purchased a farm at Ettrick. To this union five children were born, namely Harold, Ardyce, Arnold and twins Donald and Donna.

In 1942 Olaf bought the land back and farmed the homestead place until March 4, 1951 at which time he passed away. Olaf took much pride in farming.

Helga was born and raised in Ettrick, Wisconsin, has lived in Glencoe for 20 years and resides now at 1319 Greeley Ave. She is an active member of the Christ Lutheran Church.

Harold Allen took over the farming after his father passed away and is still farming 154 acres at the present time. He is married to Lois Sandquist. They have four children; Patty (married and living in Dawson, Minnesota),



OLAF SEVERSON FAMILY; Helga, Ardyce and Donna; Harold, Arnold and Donald.

Gail, Wayne and Chuck.

Ardyce LaMac, a registered nurse, is married to Roy C. Johnson and they are farming at Wiggins, Colorado. They have three children; Debra, Craig and Douglas.

Arnold Olaf is employed at 3M as a specialist in refrigeration and air conditioning maintenance. He is married to Myrtice Harms and they have three children; Sondra, Lynda and Mark.

Donald Maurice lives in Sauk Centre, Minnesota, where he owns and manages the Coast to Coast store. He is married to Sandra Tschida and they have three children; Scott, Jay and Donelle.

Donna Marie is married to Ralph Conrad Machemehl who is owner of the Mobil Station and Bulk Business at Lester Prairie. They have three children; Colleen, Gregg and Kori.

Submitted by Donna M. Machemehl

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APR 27 1995

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Leona Grosse

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Leona Grosse

ADDRESS 604 125th N. Benson MN 56215  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 843-3941

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE 5710 Eden Valley, MN 55329

SECTION 4-5 TOWNSHIP Manannah COUNTY Meeker

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

Section -04 -Twp-121 Range-31 NW 1/4 SW 1/4  
Section -04 -Twp-121 Range-31 W 1/2 NW 1/4  
Section -05 -Twp-121 Range-31 NE 1/4 NE 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Charles Haag - I</u>	<u>1895 - 1924</u>	<u>Husband</u>
Next Owner <u>Pauline Haag</u>	<u>1924 - 1927</u>	<u>Mother</u>
Next Owner <u>Charles Haag II</u>	<u>1927 - 1965</u>	<u>Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Adeline Haag</u>	<u>1965 - 1977</u>	<u>Sister</u>
Next Owner <u>Harvey, Herbert, Leona Haag</u> (Partnership)	<u>1977 - 1982</u>	<u>Brothers</u>

Leona Grosse (Haag) 1982 - 1995

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
 ( ) Land Patent      ( ) County land Record  
 ( ) Original Deed      ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Leona Grosse  
(signature of present owner)

April 24, 1995  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Coleman Wood

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$19

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1927

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, grain, Alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM EDWIN H. HALLBERG

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE EDWIN H. HALLBERG

ADDRESS 69415-3205T KIMBALL MN. 55353  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 693-6655

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 7 TOWNSHIP KINGSTON COUNTY MEEKER  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY NOV. 27, 1891

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

SELT-07 TWP. 120 RANG-29 S 1/2 SW 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>HALSTEN HALLBERG</u>	<u>1891 - 1938</u>	<u>FATHER OF E.O. HALLBERG AND OTHERS</u>
Next Owner <u>E.O. HALLBERG AND OTHERS</u>	<u>1938 - 1968</u>	<u>FATHER OF EDWIN H. HALLBERG</u>
Next Owner <u>EDWIN H. HALLBERG</u>	<u>1968 - PRESENT</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

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I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Edwin H. Hallberg  
(signature of present owner)

4-29-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? J. H. FARNS WORTH

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 2000 TOTAL 12.50 per acre?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? BLACKSMITH  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \$

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? THE HOME IS STANDING AT THIS DATE BUT IN POOR COND. AND NOT OCCUPIED

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? NO PRESENT HOME I LIVE ON LAND ADJACENT TO FARM (C.H.H.)

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Presently Corn & Soybeans but

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: early on very likely Oats, wheat, barley, Hay.

My father E. O. Hallberg was the middle child of a family of 11 children. He was the first one of the family born on this farm as the family had lived 11 years in Wright County before moving here.

sent to him directly for reunion on 7-12-95

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Le Roy E + Pearl Broberg

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Le Roy E and Pearl Broberg

ADDRESS 20465 KeyStone Rd MILACA MIN 56353  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code 612 983-3354

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_ TOWNSHIP HAYLAND COUNTY MILLE LACS

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 AND NE 1/4 & NE 1/4 Township 39  
RANGE 26 SEC 29

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>John E + C Josephine Broberg</u>	<u>7/31 - 1895 - 1947</u>	<u>Mother + Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Le Roy E + Pearl Broberg</u>	<u>1947 - To DATE</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Le Roy E. Broberg  
(signature of present owner)

2/4/1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John + Irene Goss

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 240.

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$2.00 per Acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? AFTER they Bought it early 1900 -

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay etc

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Roy AND Pearl still live on  
the farm. Rent out some of the land -  
IF ANY OTHER QUESTIONS, JUST ASK -  
Will try and answer to the best of  
our knowledge.

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Mark Polasek  
 NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Mark & Mary Polasek  
Dairy Farm Holstens  
 ADDRESS Little Falls Minn.  
 (street) (city) (state) (zip)  
 PHONE NUMBER area code (612) Little Falls Minn. 56345

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Swan River COUNTY Morrison  
 NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 300

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? no IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) 1886 ?  
N.E. 1/4 of N.E. 1/4 of Sec. 10 Swan River  
Township, Range 30

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
<del>Andrew Polashik</del>		
First Owner <u>Andrew Polashik</u>	<u>1886 to 1905</u>	
Next Owner <u>George Polasek</u>	<u>1900 to 1953</u>	<u>son</u>
Next Owner <u>Leo Polasek</u>	<u>1953 - 1977</u>	<u>son</u>
Next Owner <u>Mark Polasek</u>	<u>1977 -</u>	<u>son</u>
Next Owner		

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☒ Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Mark Polasek

(signature of present owner)

6-27-95

(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? SOLOMON DINGMAN

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? about \$3 to 5<sup>00</sup> per acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? POLAND

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST Carpentry

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1958

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Milk, potatoes & grain

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: This land was covered with timber and purchased from a civil war veteran and was mostly heavy ground, the trees were grubbed out by hand to make field. Then another 80 acres was available and purchased to this a 160 acre farm, a team of oxen was the original power on this farm. The original buildings were made from logs. Grandpa brought with him a full set of carpenter tools when came here from Chicago, it helped him a lot to put up the buildings. The farm implements were crude, made mostly from wood except the breaking plow which was metal. Crops were grain, potatoes & a big garden also feed for the oxen. wild game was plentiful which provided the meat.

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JUN 10 1995

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM John A. DUERST

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE ADAM DUERST FARM

ADDRESS 6530 ROBIN ROAD DALLAS TX 75209  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (214) 748-6740

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE R.R. 1, LYLE, MINNESOTA 55953

SECTION 16 & 21 TOWNSHIP LYLE COUNTY MOWER

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY NOVEMBER 30, 1894

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 16 and E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Section 21 Township 101N, Range 18W of 5th P.M.

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>ADAM DUERST</u>	<u>1894-1947</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>FRANK DUERST</u>	<u>1947-1989</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>John DUERST</u>	<u>1989 TO DATE</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.  
Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title                      ☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent                              ☐ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed                              ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

John A. Duerst  
(signature of present owner)

June 10, 1995  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? New Glarus, Wis (son of Swiss

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? immigrating)

IF SO, PLEASE LIST no

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1898

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Pure bred cattle and hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The farm was originally acquired by Adam Dueset and his brother John on Nov. 30, 1894. In 1895 Adam bought out John's interest. In 1898 Adam married Laura Aultfather. She was the daughter of original Monroe County settler David Aultfather and Pamela Foster Aultfather. It was then that the existing house was built.

Frank and his two sisters, Mildred and Leola were born in the house. Mildred died in the house (1910) as did Laura (1935), and Adam (1947).

Frank married Isabelle Norsegard in 1937. Their two children, Laura (Mrs. Warren Hanson) and John (current owner) were born in the house. Frank lived in the house over 85 years. Frank and Isabelle both died in 1989.

The Duesets raised pure bred Red Poll cattle and Poland China hogs. Frank showed Red Polls at the Minnesota State Fair from 1922-1981 and obtained national recognition for his herd.

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Her Loren and Herbert Hanson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Loren and Beverly Hanson  
Herbert and Ann Hanson

ADDRESS RR1 Grand meadow MN 55936  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 754-5083 754-5262

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE 750 at present

SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP Frankford COUNTY Mower

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120 750 at present

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Mar 19, 1866

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
S 1/2 of SW 1/4 + NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 10 Twp 103  
Range 14

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>L.G. Hanson</u>	<u>1866 - 1927</u>	<u>Father of Halvor</u>
Next Owner <u>Halvor L. Hanson</u>	<u>1927 - 1961</u>	<u>Husband of Ella</u>
Next Owner <u>Ella Hanson to Loren &amp; Herb Hanson</u>	<u>1961 - 1968</u>	<u>Grandmother of Loren &amp; Herb</u>
Next Owner <u>Loren &amp; Herb Hanson</u>	<u>1968 - present</u>	
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records  
Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent      ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed      ( ) Other:

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(signature of present owner)

6-30-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Timon Ornsrud

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? NO

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn Soybeans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

Halvor farmed with his father for many years.  
Halvors son Edmond died in 1958 But farmed  
there all his life. therefore at death of  
Halvor & Ella the farm went to two  
Grandsons Loren & Herb. Loren's son  
Brian is now farming with them.

L.G. Hanson's Father - Gutoram - also farmed  
in the Bear Creek Area when He came  
from Norway in 1861

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Vernon, Laverne, + Harold Hoffman JUN 21 1995

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Vernon, Laverne + Harold Hoffman

ADDRESS R. 3 Box 99 Dexter MN. 55926  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 584-6733

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE No. Building

SECTION 16 TOWNSHIP Clayton COUNTY Mower

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Sept. 21, 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Thomas + Mary Cassedy</u>	<u>1895 - 1953</u>	<u>Grand parents</u>
Next Owner <u>Vernon, Laverne, Harold Hoffman</u>	<u>1953 -</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records  
Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Vernon Hoffman  
(signature of present owner)

June 14, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Austin F. Kelley + wife

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10/A

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Minnesota

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? In Minneapolis  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST in a furniture factory

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? None

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM VERNON COHRS

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE COHRS FARMS

ADDRESS RR 2 BOX 88 WESTBROOK MN 56183  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 274 5271

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 27 TOWNSHIP DOVRAY COUNTY MURRAY

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 554

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY DECEMBER 17, 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

W 1/2 OF SE 1/4 OF SEC. 27 - TOWNSHIP 107 RANGE 39

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>CHARLES COHRS</u>	<u>1895 - 1942</u>	<u>FATHER OF KARL</u>
Next Owner <u>KARL COHRS</u>	<u>1942 - 1959</u>	<u>FATHER OF VERNON</u>
Next Owner <u>VERNON COHRS</u>	<u>1959 -</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Vernon C. Cohrs  
(signature of present owner)

3-2-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? WINONA AND ST. PETER RAILROAD

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$8.50

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? GERMANY

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? YES

IF SO, PLEASE LIST BLACKSMITH

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1966

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, OATS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Instrument  
No. 11883

C. E. Dinchart & Wife  
TO  
Hans J. Kvise

WARRANTY DEED  
Filed for record the 2nd day of April  
A. D. 1894, at 6 o'clock P. M.  
By Mary A. Bottoms, Deputy.  
W. H. Bottoms  
Register of Deeds.

Instru:  
No. 116

This Indenture, Made this Second day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety four between C. E. Dinchart and Flora C. Dinchart his Wife Hans J. Kvise part of the first part, and part of the second part,

Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of Twenty four hundred Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, Forever, all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Murray, and State of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:

The North West quarter of Section Five (5) in township One hundred and Six (16) North Range Forty (40) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian containing according to the Government Survey One hundred and sixty acres.

To Have and to Hold the Same, Together with all the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, Forever. And the said C. E. Dinchart and Flora C. Dinchart parties of the first part, for their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant with the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, that they well seized in fee of the lands and premises aforesaid, and have good right to sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid; that the same are free from all incumbrances:

and the above bargained and granted land and premises in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against all persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, the said parties of the first part will Warrant and Defend.

In Testimony Whereof, The said parties of the first part hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in Presence of

G. W. Klingler  
W. A. Forsaith

C. E. Dinchart  
Flora C. Dinchart  
SEAL  
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SEAL  
SEAL

State of  
County of

I,



a within and for said County, do hereby certify that on this day of A. D. 1894, personally came before me to me well known as the same person described in, and who executed the foregoing deed, and acknowledged that he executed the same as free act and deed.

State of Minnesota  
County of Murray

On this Second day of April A. D. 1894,

before me personally appeared C. E. Dinchart and Flora C. Dinchart his Wife to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.



W. A. Forsaith

States paid and transfer entered this 2nd day of April 1894. Chas. C. Olden, County Auditor.



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM LEO MC CROWLEY + DOLORES CROWLEY

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE LEO AND DOLORES C. CROWLEY

ADDRESS RT 2 Box 91 2044 MINN 56131  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 425-3180

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 20 TOWNSHIP BONFAY COUNTY MURRAY  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 7-18-1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) SECT 20 TWP 105 RANG 40  
SE 1/4 + E 1/2 SW 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>TIMOTHY CROWLEY</u>	<u>1895-1937</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>TIMOTHY JR CROWLEY</u>	<u>1937-1940</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner <u>MARY CROWLEY</u>	<u>1940-1940</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>
Next Owner <u>W.G. CROWLEY</u>	<u>1940-1973</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>LEO MC CROWLEY</u>	<u>1973-1995</u>	

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Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Leo Crowley  
(signature of present owner)

6-14-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? HOMESTEAD US

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?                     ?

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? IRLAND

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? ~~1974~~ 1973

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN & BEANS - ~~and~~ Oats

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM CHRISTINE QUISLEY  
NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE BURT & CHRISTINE QUISLEY  
ADDRESS Rd 1 Mayton Mn 56172  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)  
PHONE NUMBER area code ( )

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION 5 TOWNSHIP 106 COUNTY 40 Murrey  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 4/2/1894  
HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) NW 1/4 5-106-40

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>HANS F. Quisley</u>	<u>4/2/1894 - 4/1/1895</u>	<u>SPOUSE</u>
Next Owner <u>JULIA F. Quisley</u>	<u>4/1/1895 - 11/30/27</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>
Next Owner <u>MURIEL A. QUISLEY</u> <u>BURT QUISLEY</u>	<u>11/30/27 - 4/18/29</u>	<u>SONS</u>
Next Owner <u>JULIA QUISLEY</u>	<u>4/18/29 - 9/8/33</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>
Next Owner <u>BURT QUISLEY</u>	<u>4/8/33 - 8/17/94</u>	<u>SON</u>

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Check those that apply:

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( ) Land Patent (X) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Christine Quisley  
(signature of present owner)

May 23, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? \_\_\_\_\_

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Hans Quisley immigrated from Norway to Wisconsin, then Worth Co. Iowa and then purchased the farm. Notice the change in name 3 parking.

There was a house on this farm, 2 rooms. The upstairs was one room and then the down stairs. Later a small entry was built. Bert Quisley built a new house in 1932. Hans & Gerda Quisley planted a grove on the place when they purchased the farm. A few of these trees are still standing. (NOTE) Bert is deceased now.



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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Howard w + Olivia Binder

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS Rt 2 Box 44 Gibbon Minnesota  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code 657 359 9062

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 13 Twp 111 TOWNSHIP W. Newton COUNTY Nicollet

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) NW 1/4 of NW 1/4  
S 1/2 of NW 1/4

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Winona &amp; St Peter Railroad Co</u>	<u>1857</u>	
Next Owner <u>Winona &amp; St Peter Land Co</u>		
Next Owner <u>Bernhard Matsch</u>	<u>1886 - 1894</u>	
Next Owner <u>Ignatz Binder</u>	<u>1894 - 1917</u>	<u>Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Bernard Binder</u>	<u>1917 - 1954</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Howard Binder</u>	<u>1954 - present</u>	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title                      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent                            (X) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed                          ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Howard Binder  
(signature of present owner)

June 25, 1995  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? no  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1924

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? corn, oats - alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

Bernhart Matsch purchased land for \$200 1886  
Ignatz Binder purchased land for \$2850 Nov 8, 1894  
Bernard Binder purchased land for \$9600 June 14, 1917  
Howard Binder Took over farm after the death of parents  
in 1954

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JUN 15 1995

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM WAYNE AND THERESA BJORKKLUND

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE SAME AS ABOVE

ADDRESS RR #2 Box 132 Nicollet MN. 56074  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 246-5378

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP 111 COUNTY Nicollet

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 140 plus 84.68 Total of 224.68 *of present*

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY JAN-24-1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) W 1/2 of S.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4  
N.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4 - W 1/2 of S.W. 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>ALFRED BJORKKLUND</u>	<u>1-24-1895-3-22-1937</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner <u>HENRY BJORKKLUND</u>	<u>3-22-1937-1-2-1959</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner <u>PAUL BJORKKLUND</u>	<u>1-2-1959-6-1-1991</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner <u>WAYNE &amp; THERESA BJORKKLUND</u>	<u>6-1-1991-PRESENT</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Wayne Bjorklund  
(signature of present owner)

6-10-95  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? SANDER AND ELLEN SWENSON

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 300

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 26.66

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? NO

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1928

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? ~~W~~ OATS - CORN - WHEAT - BARLEY - FLAX

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Original farm was 300 acres, in 1928  
Henry Bjorklund build a new farm site + his brother  
Edmund Bjorklund live on the original site. on Mar-22  
1937 a decree of distribution gave Edmund Bjorklund  
160 acres and Henry Bjorklund 140 acres



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JUN 26 1967

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Wilmar A. + Helen L. MeyerNAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE WILMAR + HELEN MEYERADDRESS RR 1 Box 7 COURTLAND MINN 56021  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)PHONE NUMBER area code 507 359-2854

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 05 TOWNSHIP COURTLAND COUNTY NICOLLETNUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) SECT. 05 TWP. - 109  
RANGE 029

## PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>WILLIAM LANCASTER</u>	<u>1857-1864</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>
Next Owner <u>CHARLES BODE</u>	<u>1884-1895</u>	<u>FATHER OF</u> <u>GRANMA MEYER</u>
Next Owner <u>WILLIAM MEYER</u>	<u>June 26 1895-1942</u>	<u>GRANDFATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>ALBERT + FRIEDA MEYER</u>	<u>1942-1967</u>	<u>FATHER + MOTHER</u>
Next Owner <u>WILMAR + HELEN MEYER</u>	<u>1967 -</u>	<u>PRESENT OWNERS</u>

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(☐) Original Deed      (☐) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Wilmar A. Meyer  
(signature of present owner)

Helen L. Meyer  
OVER

(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? CHARLES BODE TO WILLIAM F MEYER

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 ACRES

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$1400.00 or \$84.00 an acre

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? GERMANY

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1898

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? DAIRY, HOGS, GRAIN

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Lancaster, land was a Grant  
from President James Buchanan as a  
military Grant

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM CAROL HOLTZE AND DORIS SUTHERLAND

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE HOLTZE FARM

ADDRESS CAROL HOLTZE 2539 EAST MAIN ST. MANKATO, MN. 56001 AND DORIS SUTHERLAND BOX 631  
LAKE CRYSTAL, MN. (street) 56055. (city) (state) (zip)  
PHONE NUMBER area code (507) CAROL-387-6335 DORIS-726-2348

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE BELGRADE TOWNSHIP, NICOLLET COUNTY, MINNESOTA

SECTION 17 TOWNSHIP BELGRADE COUNTY NICOLLET

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 113

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY MAY 31, 1893

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 17 TOWNSHIP 109 RANGE 27

EXCEPT A 6.99 ACRE BUILDING SPOT

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner CHRISTIAN HOLTZY	1893 TO 1905	HUSBAND OF LOUISE
Next Owner CHRISTIAN HOLTZE (ALSO KNOWN AS CHRISTIAN HOLTZY) AND LOUISE HOLTZE	1905 TO 1905	HUSBAND AND WIFE
Next Owner LOUISE HOLTZE	1905 to 1917	MOTHER OF HERMAN
Next Owner HERMAN HOLTZE	1917 TO 1942	HUSBAND OF MYRTLE
Next Owner HERMAN HOLTZE & MYRTLE HOLTZE	1942 TO 1964	HUSBAND AND WIFE
Next Owner MYRTLE HOLTZE	1964 TO 1988	MOTHER OF CAROL & DORIS
Next Owners CAROL HOLTZE AND DORIS SUTHERLAND	1988 TO PRESENT	

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I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Carol Holtze & Doris Holtze Sutherland  
(signature of present owner)

June 6, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? THOMAS AND SARAH MONTGOMERY

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? THE PARCEL I'M WRITING ABOUT WAS 80 ACRES AND PURCHASED FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,000.00 .

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? ANOTHER 40 ACRES IN THE NW $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 109, RANGE 27 WAS BOUGHT FROM WHITMORE, WOLFF, DUFF AND CO. IN 1869 FOR A TOTAL OF \$700.00 FOR THE 160 ACRES IT WAS PART OF AT THAT TIME.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? GERMANY

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1924

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, OATS, WHEAT AND HAY IN EARLIER YEARS. ALSO RAISED FEEDER CATTLE, PIGS, SHEEP, CHICKENS, HAD HORSES AND MILKING COWS.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

IN LATER YEARS WE RAISE FIELD CROPS\* CORN AND SOYBEANS.

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JUN 5 1996

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Lyle + Bernita Seitzer

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Lyle Seitzer Family

ADDRESS 1010 W Madison St. Peter MN 56082  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 931-3992

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Route 1 Box 52 St. Peter MN

SECTION 20 + 21 TOWNSHIP Oshawa COUNTY Nicollet

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 6, 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) N 1/2 of NE 1/4 of

Section 20 NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 21 all in Township #110 North of range  
#27 West

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Wm Seitzer</u>	<u>1895 - 7/24/1919</u>	<u>Son</u>
Next Owner <u>Joseph Seitzer</u>	<u>1919 - Aug. 24, 1966</u>	<u>Son</u>
Next Owner <u>Lyle + Bernita Seitzer</u>	<u>1966 -</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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(☐) Original Deed      (☐) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Lyle Seitzer  
(signature of present owner)

6/2/1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Minnie Emmel, Albert Emmel & Lydia Emmel

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 120

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$7.50 total of \$900.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes house & barn are still in use

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Dairy Farm raised grain

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Corn & alfalfa

Two of our sons David & Peter Seitzer are now on the farm, which is still a Reg Holstein Dairy. The farm now consists of 400 acres. They raise corn, soybeans & alfalfa.

Last Jan. 94 we sold the building site to David & Peter Seitzer, which has two houses

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM ARLENE & VICTOR SCHWAB

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE ARLENE SCHWAB LANE

ADDRESS 3309 FIDOLETOWN CT. SACRAMENTO CA 95827  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (91 )

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE R2 BOX 11 FULDA MN.

SECTION NW 1/4 sect 1 TOWNSHIP 104 COUNTY NOBLES COUNTY

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 500

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 16, 1891

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

NW 1/4 Section 1, Township 104, Range 41, Nobles County - Minn.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

*See back side comments*

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>U.S. OF AMERICA</u>	<u>prior to 1874</u>	<u>certificate of land grant</u>
Next Owner <u>STATE OF MINN.</u>	<u>3-25-74 - '83</u>	<u>R.R. aid</u>
Next Owner <u>ST. PAUL &amp; SIOUX CITY R.R. COMPANY</u>	<u>3-28-83 - '86</u>	<u>?</u>
Next Owner <u>FRANKLIN WILSON ROSCOE F. HERSEY EDWARD L. HERSEY, EUGENE HERSEY</u>	<u>3-29-1886 - '91</u>	<u>?</u>
Next Owner <u>FRANK &amp; AMALIA SCHWAB</u>	<u>7-16-1891</u>	<u>my grandfather</u>

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Arlene Schwab Lane  
(signature of present owner)

June 26, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL F. HERSEY, deceased.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 140.6 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$10.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Grassstuhl, Austria

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST R.R. construction part time

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? no

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes - original shanty was incorporated in the present standing house.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? originally oats & corn now soy beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: I hope i'm not too late in applying for this certificate.  
I see that I erred in filling out front side of this farm.  
Please use the following as proof of 100 yrs. of ownership

FIRST OWNER	YRS OF OWNERSHIP	RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OWNER
1. FRANK & AMALIA SCHWAB	1891 - 1934	FATHER OF JOHN
2. JOHN J. SCHWAB	1934 - 1985	FATHER OF ARLENE
3. ARLENE SCHWAB LANE	1985 - present	



Letter sent 4/20/95

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Lois NienKerk Engen

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Lois NienKerk Engen

ADDRESS Rt 2 Box 73 Adrian Mn. 56110  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 483-2564

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP Little Rock COUNTY Nobles

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY Oct 23, 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) Section 9 N. Quarter Township 101 Range 42

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To		Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>August NienKerk</u>	<u>1895</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>husband</u>
Next Owner <u>Vinnie NienKerk</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>grandmother</u>
Next Owner <u>Lois V. Engen</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>to present</u>	
Next Owner			
Next Owner			

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Check those that apply:

- (☒) Abstract of Title      (☐) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
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(☐) Original Deed      (☐) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Lois Nienkerk Engen  
(signature of present owner)

April 17, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Samuel Graves

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 159 - Lutheran church had 1 Acre till 1955

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 10.00 He bought it back

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? NA

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? the house - barn - hog house - chicken house - garage

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? We added on in 1956 + 1988

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? oats, corn, wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM GEORGE P. Heikes

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS Rt 1 Box 15 Ellsworth MN 56129  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 967-2210

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE Rt 1 Box 223

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_ TOWNSHIP GRAND PRAIRIE COUNTY NOBLES

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 205

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 19 1895 ✓

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner		
<u>LAMBERT BROMMER</u>	<u>1895 1935</u>	<u>GRANDFATHER</u>
Next Owner		
<u>MARTIN BROMMER</u>	<u>1935 - 1974</u>	<u>UNCLE</u>
Next Owner		
<u>GEORGE P HEIKES</u>	<u>1974 - PRESENT</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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( ) Land Patent (X) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed (X) Other: NEWSPAPER (original copy)

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

George P Heikes  
(signature of present owner)

23 Feb. 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? BURKE BROS, Ellsworth, MN

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 320

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 30<sup>00</sup>

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? GERMANY

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? YES

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895-1926-1953-1965

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, OATS WHEAT, SOYBEANS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: See enclose farm story

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM JAMES L Hendel Robert W Hendel Leon Hendel  
John Wolf Donna Healy Ruth Loraag

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE try name earning

Heidel Family Home-seed

ADDRESS Rt 3 Box 31 Adrian Mn 56110  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 483 2567

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 35 TOWNSHIP Lismore COUNTY Nobles

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY May 1, 1893

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 35 Township 103 Range 43

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? R. W. Murry

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 320

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 105

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST Land Broker

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1975

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Oats, stock cows, dairy

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: and hogs

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1. *Journal of Management Studies*, 1996, 33, 1, 1-14.

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Robert W Hendel

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Robert W Hendel

ADDRESS RT 3 Box 64 Adrian MN 56110  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 483-2477

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 35 TOWNSHIP Lismore COUNTY Nobles

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY May 1 1893

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

N 1/2 of SW 1/4 Section 35 Township 103 Range 43

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Catherina Hendel</u>	<u>May 1, 1893 to Oct 20, 1893</u>	<u>Great Grand Mother</u>
Next Owner <u>Nick Hendel</u>	<u>Oct 20, 1893 to June 14, 1925</u>	<u>Grand Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Jennie Hendel</u> <u>Louis P Hendel</u> <u>Lorretto Hendel Balster</u>	<u>June 14, 1925 to Nov 30, 1963</u>	<u>Grand Mother</u> <u>Father</u> <u>Aunt</u>
Next Owner <u>Louis P Hendel</u> <u>Lorretto Hendel Balster</u>	<u>Nov 30, 1963 to Nov 30, 1983</u>	<u>Father</u> <u>Aunt</u>
Next Owner <u>Robert W Hendel</u>	<u>Nov 30, 1983 to present</u>	

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Check those that apply:

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☐ Original Deed                            ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Robert W Hendel  
(signature of present owner)

6-30-94

(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? BW Murphy

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 320

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 105

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST Land Broker

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? None

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn, Oats, stock cows  
dairy and hogs

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Minnesota State Fair  
**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

**DEADLINE: July 1**

7-14-95

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Lawrence Colman

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Lawrence and Marge Colman

ADDRESS Rt 2 Box 106 Adrian MN 56116  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (507) 483 2164

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 4 TOWNSHIP Little Rock COUNTY Nobles

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 240 Acres

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

Section 4 Township 101 Range 42

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Ole Benson Langseth</u>	<u>1890-1891</u> <u>Timber Culture</u>	<u>Single</u>
Next Owner <u>Ole Benson and Mathilda</u>	<u>1891-1931</u>	<u>Husband and wife</u>
Next Owner <u>Adolph Benson</u> <u>Oscar Benson</u> <u>Joe Benson</u> <u>Clara Benson</u> <u>Mabel (Benson)</u> <u>Colman</u>	<u>1932-1941</u>	<u>Ole Benson's</u> <u>Sons Daughters</u>
Next Owner <u>Sigvald Martin</u> <u>Mabel (Benson-Colman) Martin</u>	<u>1941-1976</u>	<u>Husband</u> <u>(Ole Benson daughter wife)</u>
Next Owner <u>Lawrence Colman</u>	<u>1976-1995</u>	<u>Grandson of</u> <u>Ole Benson (Colman)</u> <u>Son of Mabel Martin</u>

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☒ Land Patent      ☒ County land Record  
☒ Original Deed      ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Lawrence Colman  
(signature of present owner)

7-12-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? General Land Office

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 159 ACRES

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$4.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Norway

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST NO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? (Timber Claim 1890) Homestead 1891

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? House remodeled still used, also barn remodeled but used.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1900

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - oats - Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: He also raised beef cattle and took them by rail to Chicago, in the early 1900's

The stage coach ran between Worthington and Lu Verne through the what is now our lawn. Until 20 years ago you could still see indentations. Also on the hill, in one of our fields you find rock from foundations no definite date but it has been told by relatives it was a mail station used by pony express.

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Blair Hoseth

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Blair and Deborah Hoseth

ADDRESS Rt 1 Box 231-A Mahnomon Mn 56557  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 567-8587

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 1 TOWNSHIP F/om COUNTY Norman

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? no IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
Sec. 1 Twp 143 Range 43

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Ever H. Korsgaden</u>	<u>1892 - 1909</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
Next Owner <u>Hans H. Kaushagen</u>	<u>1909 - 1919</u>	<u>Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Anton Kaushagen</u>	<u>1919 - 1953</u>	<u>Uncle</u>
Next Owner <u>Oral Korsgaden</u>	<u>1953 - 1982</u>	<u>Cousin</u>
Next Owner <u>Sherman Hoseth</u>	<u>1982 - 1983</u>	<u>Father</u>
<u>Blair Hoseth</u>	<u>1983 - present</u>	

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court File in Registration Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Patent                  | <input type="checkbox"/> County land Record                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                           |

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Blair S. Hoseth  
(signature of present owner)

6-25-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Northern Pacific Railroad

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$8.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Goodrich county Mn.

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Carpentry  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? no

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1946

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wht, Bly, corn, alfalfa,

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: cattle,



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Corey Hoseth

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Corey and Cassandra Hoseth

ADDRESS Rt 1 Box 236 Mahnomen MN 56557  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 567-8218

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 12 TOWNSHIP 143 COUNTY Norman

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 157 acres

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1886

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

Sec. 12 Twp 143 Rge 43  
NW 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From To	Relationship to next owner
<u>Thore Thompson</u>	<u>1886 - 1902</u>	<u>father</u> <del>uncle</del> of <u>Hans</u>
First Owner <u>Hans L. Korsgaden</u> <del>Knut Thompson</del>	<u>1902 - 1908</u>	<u>husband of Maria</u>
Next Owner <u>Maria Korsgaden</u>	<u>1908 - 1926</u>	<u>Mother of Harriet</u>
Next Owner <u>Harriet + Arnold Hoseth</u>	<u>1926 - 1976</u>	<u>parents of Sherman</u>
Next Owner <u>Sherman Hoseth</u>	<u>1976 - 1991</u>	<u>father of Corey</u>
Next Owner <u>Corey Hoseth</u>	<u>1991 - present</u>	<u>(self)</u>

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Corey Hoseth  
(signature of present owner)

6-25-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

Sherman <sup>railroad</sup> Hoseth / United States of America

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

157

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

\$9.38

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

Norway

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

NO

IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

NO

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

yes

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

1889

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

wheat, Corn, Hay, pasture, LIVESTOCK

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Sherman H. Hoseth

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Sherman & Jeannine Hoseth

ADDRESS RR1 Box 144 Twin Valley Mn 56584  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 567-8521

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION Sec 11 TOWNSHIP Fossum COUNTY Norman

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Sec 1 - Twp 144 Range 43

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From 18-95 To 1938	Relationship to next owner
<u>Severin Hoseth</u>		<u>Grandfather</u>
First Owner		
<u>Sander Hoseth</u>	<u>1938 - 1977</u>	<u>Uncle to Sherman</u>
Next Owner		
<u>Sherman Hoseth</u>	<u>1977 - present</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☐ Land Patent      ☐ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed      ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sherman H. Hoseth  
(signature of present owner)

6-22-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? N.P. Rail Road Co.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$2.51 / ac.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Springfield, Mo.

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST Carpenter

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No.

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? *yes*

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1895

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn - Wheat - Hay - Milk - Beef

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Raymond Turner & Earl Turner

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Raymond & Earl Turner

ADDRESS RR 1 Box 27 Ada MN 56510  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 784-4492

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP Mary COUNTY Norman

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 320

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 1889

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

East Half of the South East Quarter  
Section 2 in Township One hundred forty-three

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Carl Thiel</u>	<u>1889 - 1932</u>	<u>of Raymond &amp; Earl</u> <u>Grandfather</u>
Next Owner <u>Elise Thiel Turner</u>	<u>1889 - 1969</u>	<u>to</u> <u>Mother Raymond &amp; Earl</u>
Next Owner <u>Raymond &amp; Earl Turner</u>	<u>1969 - present</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
(X) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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X Raymond Turner  
(signature of present owner)

May 31, 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Railroad

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 6<sup>00</sup>

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No - house built in 1896 -

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1896

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? wheat, oats, barley, beans

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

They lived in a sod house from 1889-1896 -  
during the summer they would live in the  
grainery because the sod house would leak.

The house built in 1896 is still lived in.

When they homesteaded in 1889 - Carl would bring  
his gun along when he went to work in  
the fields, for protection from the Indians.

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM JAMES & Linda Arvidson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE " "

ADDRESS R2 Box 60 PARKERS PRAIRIE MINN 56361  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 338 5051

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 35 TOWNSHIP EASTERN COUNTY OTTER TAIL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 630

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY OCT 20 1886

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

Homestead - Sec. 35 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 S 1/2 NW 1/4 S 1/2 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4

Also Sec. 34 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 NW 1/4 Also Sec. 3 NE 1/4

Also Sec. 13 N 1/2 SW 1/4 S 1/2 NW 1/4 Elmo Twp.

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
<u>Olaf Arvidson</u>	<u>1886 - 1892</u>	<u>Brother</u>
First Owner <u>Hans &amp; Sophi Arvidson</u>	<u>1892 - 1941</u>	<u>Father</u>
Next Owner <u>Elvin &amp; Doris Arvidson</u>	<u>1941 - 1975</u>	<u>Father</u>
Next Owner <u>James &amp; Linda Arvidson</u>	<u>1975 -</u>	<u>Father</u>
Next Owner <u>David Arvidson</u>	<u>future</u>	
Next Owner		

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☒ Original Deed      ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Commissioner Deed

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

James Arvidson

(signature of present owner)

4-20-95

(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Railroad

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 40 acres

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 5<sup>00</sup>

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Some carpentry  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST Part owner of Flour mill

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? yes the original Log house is intact and used as part of a shop

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1913

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Livestock, Hay, Wheat

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Handwritten notes and faint markings in the additional comments section.

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM MARIAN A. KUBITZ

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE MARIAN & GERALD KUBITZ

ADDRESS R#1 BOX 315 FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 736 - 7761

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP AURDAL COUNTY OTTERTAIL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 243

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY HOMESTEADED IN 1868

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>; SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>; SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> & GOVERNMENT LOT 2 OF SECTION 26-133-42

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner		
JOHN ANDERSON	1868 - 1910	FATHER OF ANDREW
Next Owner		
ANDREW ANDERSON	1910 - 1939	FATHER OF JULIUS, SOPHUS & ARTHUR
Next Owner		
JULIUS, SOPHUS & ARTHUR ANDERSON	1939 - 1955	JULIUS & SOPHUS ARE BROTHERS OF ARTHUR
Next Owner		
ARTHUR & DAGNY ANDERSON	1955 - 1985	PARENTS OF MARIAN
Next Owner		
MARIAN KUBITZ	1985 - Present	

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Check those that apply:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract of Title | <input type="checkbox"/> Court File in Registration Proceedings |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Patent       | <input type="checkbox"/> County land Record                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Original Deed                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                           |

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Marian A. Kubitz  
(signature of present owner)

MAY 31, 1995

(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? RAILROAD

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? NORWAY

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NO  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1990

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? CORN, OATS & WHEAT

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PROPERTY WAS HOMESTEADED IN MAY OF 1868 FROM EVERYTHING I HAVE BEEN TOLD AND CAN READ FROM OBITUARIES AND HISTORY OF TOWNSHIP. NOTHING WAS RECORDED UNTIL FEBRUARY OF 1875 AND FILED MAY OF 1898, THAT I CAN FIND ON ABSTRACT OR AT THE COURT HOUSE. I WAS TOLD RECORDS WEREN'T KEPT IN COUNTY UNTIL 1880's.

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM DuWayne, Arvid & Donald Honrud & Rosalie Mattson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Alfred and Mabel Honrud  
and children

ADDRESS RR 1 - Box 216 Erhard Minnesota 56534  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 739-9199

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE RR 1 - Rothsay, MN 56579

SECTION 6 & 31 TOWNSHIP Oscar & Trenchjem COUNTY Otter Tail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 227

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 23, 1884

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) Lots 2, 3, 4 & SE 1/4 NW 1/4  
& SW 1/4 NE 1/4, section 6, township 134, range 44 less railroad & highway  
easement and SW 1/4 SW 1/4 also described as Lot 4, section 31, township 135,  
range 44 less Hamar Cemetery

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Lars Honrud</u>	<u>1884 to 1904</u>	<u>husband &amp; father</u>
Next Owner <u>Oline Honrud &amp; 12 children</u>	<u>1905 to dif. years</u>	<u>mother, brothers &amp; sisters of Oscar</u>
Next Owner <u>Oscar Honrud</u>	<u>inherit &amp; purchased shares between 1905 &amp; 1947 to 1952</u>	<u>father of Alfred</u>
Next Owner <u>Alfred Honrud</u>	<u>1952 to 1994</u>	<u>father of DuWayne &amp; others</u>
Next Owner <u>DuWayne, Arvid, &amp; Donald Honrud &amp; Rosalie Mattson</u>	<u>1994 to present</u>	

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( ) Land Patent                            ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed                          ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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DuWayne M. Honrud  
(signature of present owner)

6-28-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Ole GilbertsonHOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$28WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? NorwayDID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? -  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YesIS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NoWHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? about 1912?WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? barley, wheat, oats & dairy

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Lars owned the farm until his death in 1904 when his son Oscar inherited a share and purchased a sister's share. He continued buying shares from various siblings in 1908-1909-1912 & twice in 1947. In 1952 he sold this farm to his son Alfred, who at 94 years of age, maintain a life estate on this farm after deeding it to his four children; Arvid G. Honrud, DuWayne M. Honrud, Donald E. Honrud and Rosalie Mattson. The farmstead is unoccupied at this writing but there are plans for a fifth generation Honrud to live on this farmstead with his family, which will bring the sixth generation to the farm also. It is presently being farmed by other descendants of Lars Honrud.



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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Lloyd H. Lyring

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Lyring Brothers

ADDRESS Route #1 Box 310 Fergus Falls, Minn 56537  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 826-6992

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 35-26-36-25 TOWNSHIP Aurdal COUNTY Otter Tail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 303

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1873 (Homesteaded)

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) tax statements - Section 36  
NE 1/4 NW 1/4 & Lot 6 - Section 25 SW 1/4 - Section 35 Lot 1 - Section 26 NE 1/4 SE 1/4  
And 25 acres

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From	Relationship to next owner
<u>Orignally Homesteaded</u> <u>Walter &amp; Martha Lyring</u>	<u>1873 To 1910</u>	<u>Parents (Grand Parents)</u>
First Owner		
Next Owner <u>Henry &amp; Tellie Lyring</u>	<u>1910 - 1968</u>	<u>Parents (Son of above)</u>
Next Owner <u>Herman, Thomas Lyring Bros. Lyring</u>	<u>1968 - 1992</u>	<u>Grand Sons (Walter &amp; Martha)</u>
Next Owner <u>Lloyd H. Lyring</u>	<u>1992 - Current</u>	
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

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( ) Land Patent (X) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Lloyd H. Lyring  
(signature of present owner)

May 10 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Milford C. & Hazel E. Nelson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Milford C. & Hazel E. Nelson

ADDRESS RR 1 Box 313 Fergus Falls MN 56537  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 736-6173

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 23 TOWNSHIP Aurdal COUNTY Otter Tail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 132.65

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY May 20, 1870

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

NW 1/4 SE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 & N 1/2 GL 4 & Lot 2 &  
all lot 1 W & S of ditch Township 133 Range 42

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Engebrit Nelson</u>	<u>1870-1882</u>	<u>Father of Erick</u>
Next Owner <u>Erick Nelson</u>	<u>1882-1938</u>	<u>Father of Conrad</u>
Next Owner <u>Conrad Nelson</u>	<u>1938-1971</u>	<u>Father of Milford</u>
Next Owner <u>Milford C. Nelson</u>	<u>1971-present</u>	
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ☐ Court File in Registration Proceedings  
☒ Land Patent      ☒ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed      ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Hazel E. Nelson  
(signature of present owner)

May 30, 1995  
(date)

Milford C. Nelson

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM LYNN & MARJORIE STAFFORD

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE same

ADDRESS Rt 3 Box 394 Fergus Falls Minn 56537  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 736 5083

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 18 TOWNSHIP Aurdal COUNTY Ottertail

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY March 17 1891

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? no IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

Lots 6 and 7 except flowage rights of Section 18-133-42 and  
the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  except flowage rights of Section 13-133-43

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>William Stein Sr</u>	<u>1891 - 1927</u>	<u>Father of William Jr</u>
Next Owner <u>William A. Stein Jr</u>	<u>1927 - 1987</u>	<u>Father of Marjorie</u>
Next Owner <u>Marjorie &amp; Lynn Stafford</u>	<u>1987 - present</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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(☐) Original Deed                            (☐) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Marjorie J. Stafford  
(signature of present owner)

April 5 1995

(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Fred and Hattie Wirth

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? Lots 6 & 7

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$ 850.00 total cost

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany 7 Sec

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? Mason  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? The original barn is still Standing. It was built in 1895

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1906

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Corn and Wheat and Cattle

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: William A Stein was born on the farm and lived all his life on it. Born 1901 1991

Marjorie was born on the farm and still lives there.

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM KEITH & MAUREEN TORGUSSON

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE KEITH & MAUREEN TORGUSSON

ADDRESS ROUTE #3 FARGUS FALLS MINN 56537  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 739-9282

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 20 TOWNSHIP AUNDAL COUNTY OTTER TAIL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY April 22 1878

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SEC 20  
TWP 133, Rng 42 & SE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SEC 20 TWP. 133, Rng. 42

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>ASHLEY TORGUSSON</u>	<u>1878 - 1924</u>	<u>GREAT GRAMPA OF KEITH</u>
Next Owner <u>THOMAS TORGUSSON</u>	<u>1924 - 1949</u>	<u>GRAMPA OF KEITH</u>
Next Owner <u>CATHERINE ENGBRETSON</u>	<u>1949 - 1984</u>	<u>AUNT OF KEITH</u>
Next Owner <u>ELDEN ENGBRETSON</u>	<u>1984 - 1993</u>	<u>COUSIN OF KEITH</u>
Next Owner <u>KEITH TORGUSSON</u>	<u>1993 - PRESENT</u>	

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Keith Torgusson  
(signature of present owner)

6-23-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM LEE A. UHLIG

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE LEE A. UHLIG

ADDRESS Rt. 2, Box 157 Fergus Falls MN 56537  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 736-2265

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 16 TOWNSHIP ELIZABETH COUNTY OTTER TAIL

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 231

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY December 28, 1886

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN?

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) Sec. 16, Twsp. 134, Range 43,

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Ernest UHLIG</u>	<u>1886 - 1946</u>	<u>Father of Gust</u>
Next Owner <u>Gust UHLIG</u>	<u>1946 - 1961</u>	<u>Father of Wallace</u>
Next Owner <u>Wallace UHLIG</u>	<u>1961 - 1987</u>	<u>Uncle of Lee</u>
Next Owner <u>Lee UHLIG</u>	<u>1987 - Present</u>	
Next Owner		

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Lee Uhlig  
(signature of present owner)

7-1-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? John A. Buor

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? The Abstract shows Consideration - 92.<sup>50</sup>

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Germany

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? Yes. The House, Barn, and a old wood Grainery

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? The Late 1880's

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? General Farming - Dairy, Hogs.  
~~Wheat~~ Cats, Wht., Corn, Alfalfa

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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Minnesota State Fair  
**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM GENE GAYLORD WATNAAS  
 NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE GENE GAYLORD AND KATHY WATNAAS  
 ADDRESS Route 1 - Box 212 VINING MINNESOTA 56588  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)  
 PHONE NUMBER area code ( ) 218-769-4334

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ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 17 TOWNSHIP GOLDEN COUNTY OTTER TAIL  
 NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 200  
 DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1880  
 HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

NE 1/4 SW 1/4 AND NW 1/4 17-132-38  
(Section 17 - Township 132 NORTH - RANGE 38 WEST)

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>A.O. WATNAAS</u>	<u>1880-1910</u>	<u>UNCLE OF GUNDER</u> <u>UNCLE</u>
Next Owner <u>GUNDER WATNAAS</u>	<u>1910-1970</u>	<u>HUSBAND OF EDITH</u> <u>HUSBAND</u>
Next Owner <u>EDITH WATNAAS</u>	<u>1970-1979</u>	<u>MOTHER OF GENE</u> <u>MOTHER</u>
Next Owner <u>GENE WATNAAS</u>	<u>1979-1995</u> <sup>PRESENT</sup>	<u>SON OF EDITH</u> <u>SON</u>
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title                      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
 ( ) Land Patent                            (✓) County land Record  
 ( ) Original Deed                          ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Gene Watnaas  
(signature of present owner)

4-13-95  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED?

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL?

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WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE?

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WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN?

NORWAY

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

NO

IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD?

NO

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE?

(STORAGE SHED) YES - BUILT IN 1890 - HAND HEWN STUDS + RAFTERS

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT?

1890 1925

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS?

HAY + GRAIN

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

A STRIP OF LAND AT LEAST TWENTY MILES WIDE WAS GIVEN TO THE RAILROAD IN THE 1870'S IN HOPES OF ENTICING THE RAILROAD TO BUILD A TRACK FROM STAPLES TO NORTH DAKOTA. THIS LAND WAS USED FOR THE RAILROAD BED, TREES WERE USED FOR TIES AND BRIDGES AND SURPLUS LAND WAS SOLD TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR CONSTRUCTION. EARLY SETTLERS BOUGHT THIS LAND FROM THE RAILROAD. MUCH OF IT WAS HILLY, ROCKY AND COVERED WITH TREES AND WATER. THERE WERE MANY DEER, BEAR, WOLVES, FOX, BEAVER + MUSK RATS. ALSO A FEW ELK, MOOSE AND BUFFALO WHICH SOON BECAME EXTINCT WHEN SETTLERS CAME THERE



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PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Leonard and Donna Pavek

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE LEONARD A. and DONNA B. PAVEK

ADDRESS R 2 B 107 HINCKLEY MN 55037  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (612) 629 2140

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 36 TOWNSHIP MISSION CREEK COUNTY PINE

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 120

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY OCT 31 - 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

SECT. 036 Twp 040 Range 21  
SW 1/4 NE 1/4 W 1/2 SE 1/4

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>ANTON PAVEK</u>	<u>OCT. 31 1895 - NOV. 7 1919</u>	<u>FATHER</u>
Next Owner <u>ADOLPH PAVEK</u>	<u>NOV 7, 1919 - MARCH 3 1953</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner <u>LEONARD &amp; DONNA PAVEK</u>	<u>MARCH 3, 1953 -</u>	<u>SON</u>
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.  
Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
(☒) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
(☒) Original Deed (☒) Other: SCHOOL Land Acct. Record C #159 - 160  
ST OF MN.

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Leonard and Donna Pavek  
(signature of present owner)

3 - 31 - 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? School Land - Antw. - Son Adolph - Son Leonard

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$500 per Acre. 5% Int. 40 yr Contract.

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Bohemia part of Czechoslovakia.

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? NONE.  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes Small Log Cabin until 1905 7Rm House built. - ALL outside  
Buildings built in 9 yrs period before the new House which was Square logs with Siding.  
 IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN  
 USE? Chicken House - Brooder House and Storage Shed.

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1981

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? potatoes (major) Oats Hay

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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Source: *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 1997, 92, 1037-1046.

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Comments about our farm. Since I am a farmer and not a typist please excuse  
ant mistakes I make.

Our farm consists of 120 acres that my Grandfather homesteaded. The first 40 acres was  
School land and when there was enough land to sustain the school then the rest of all  
land was turned over to the State. My Grandfather then purchases the other 80 acres. My father  
told me lots of information about the land and surrounding area and the other information  
that I could not possibly type out in a letter.

In 1850 the Legislature approved \$20,000 to build a road from the Cities to Duluth  
and Superior. Till then there was no way to travel between these two towns except by the  
waterways, portages or by trails. This road was The Old Military or Government road and went  
across the middle of our farm. There are sections of that road still visible. The road was  
about 15 or 20 feet wide with small ditches on the sides. Many big rocks are still also  
visible that were rolled to the edges. The pay was 50 cents a day per man plus a man with a  
team pulling a scaper slusher earned \$1.00 a day. The road was curvey as the road was made  
on the high spots or hills and curved around the swamps and lower grounds. The road ran about  
300 yards from the buildings. My dad seen many Indians traveling the road in buggies. There  
were several stagecoach stops along the road, some also still visible. Some of the old timers  
told me that the Ladies of the night used prevail at these stops. We have some pictures  
of the later stops or buildings.

When the loggers cut the pines they took the logs up to the first branches and left the  
tops. I remember as a child all the black pine stumps on our back 40. They were huge and so  
close together it was hard to drive a buggy between them. In places there are still stumps  
visible but not many. The pitch in the stumps or trees preserved them. Also many were  
shared black from the Hinckley fire and preserved that way. The Fire did not come quite as  
far as our place except in the lower grounds. We took apart an old machine shed and have  
boards 14 to 16 inches wide and are still solid. Probably better lumber than you buy now. Many  
of the boards have burned edges on them. When my grandfather needed lumber to build with they  
hailed and salvaged these tops. As I was told the area was pretty clean cut except for  
brush coming up. That shows up on the picture that I mentioned. There were also many rocks

in places you couldn't poke a stick in the ground without hitting a rock. There are many  
rock piles that now make a fence line between the neighbors. Right on the farm. All picked  
by hand on steel wheeled wagons using dump planks. Some were dug out by hand with shovels  
and then pulled to the rock pile with a team using a stone boat. In latter years my dad used  
dynamite and I learned from him and also have used it. It is quite exiting to see the rocks  
and stumps fly into the air. There were different strengths of dynamite to use under a object  
or laid on top of the rock covered with mud to split the rock into pieces small enough to  
move. In one corner We had a pile of stumps (about 1938) in a corner of our farm. It was a huge  
pile.

My father has picked many arrow heads on the farm. Since he walked behind the Springtooth  
pulled by horses he was next to the ground. They were easier to find after a rain. Using a  
metal detector I found many shoes that were used on the oxen. They come in halves and not  
like a horseshoe in one part. They were used to provide traction in winter on ice etc.

Game was very abundant then and also the fish. We almost grew up on game in the fall.  
I remember catching sunfish that would cover a dinner plate with the tails hanging over the  
edges. My dad also trapped rats weasels with a bounty of \$15.00 on them. That bought many  
pounds of flour. The trapping rubbed off on me and do a lot of trapping and snareing. Also in  
the lure and book end of trapping

My wife and I have two daughters only. They both are married and have good paying jobs.  
We had a good life on the farm and still have a good health. But to start over again now I  
don't think I would do it. I never realized how hard we worked until we sold our milk cows  
last year.

That's it for now. If you would care for more memories and information, I would be happy  
to give it. No letter ~~and~~ answering as I hate to write

Leonard and Donna Pavuk

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Ralph + Grace Schjeldahl

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Ralph + Grace Schjeldahl

ADDRESS Rte. 2 Box 562 Sturgeon Lake MN. 55783  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 372-3543

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE same

SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP 45 COUNTY Pine

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY March 7, 1892

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

S 1/2 of NW 1/4 AND SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 section 10 Township 45  
Range 19

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To		Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Nels W. Nelson</u>	<u>1892</u>	<u>1899</u>	<u>Spouse of Lena</u>
Next Owner <u>Lena Nelson</u>	<u>1899</u>	<u>1900</u>	<u>Mother-in-law of Ole</u>
Next Owner <u>Ole Anderson</u>	<u>1900</u>	<u>1947</u>	<u>Father of Victor</u>
Next Owner <u>Victor Anderson</u>	<u>1947</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>uncle of Grace</u>
Next Owner <u>Ralph + Grace Schjeldahl</u>	<u>1964 - Present</u>		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- (X) Abstract of Title                      ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent                            ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed                          ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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(signature of present owner)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? United States of America

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 5 1/2 of NW 1/4 <sup>80 Acres</sup> Sec. 10 Twp. 45 Range 19

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, PLEASE LIST unknown

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1923

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Hay, Grain, Corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The barn was built in 1909 and is still standing. No longer in use for farm purposes. Pump house built about the same time - still in good condition.

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM James W. Anderson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Mabel E. Anderson, James D. Anderson, & James W. Anderson

ADDRESS Rt. 1 Box 27 Winger, MN. 56592  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 938 - 4463

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP 147 COUNTY Polk

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY May 22, 1895 (Homestead completed)

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
N.E. 1/4 of Section 13 Township 147 Range 42

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>Andrew + Hilma Anderson</u>	<u>1895 - 1932</u>	<u>Husband + Same</u>
Next Owner <u>Hilma Anderson</u>	<u>1932 - 1938</u>	<u>Same, Mother</u>
Next Owner <u>Hilma, George, Mabel, James D. Anderson</u>	<u>1938 - 1954</u>	<u>Same</u>
Next Owner <u>George, Mabel, James D. Anderson</u>	<u>1954 - 1988</u>	<u>Uncle, Aunt, Father</u>
Next Owner <u>James W. Anderson</u>	<u>1988 - Present</u>	

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☐ Land Patent                              ☐ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed                              ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

James W. Anderson  
(signature of present owner)

7-10-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? U.S. Government - Homestead

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? Unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? No  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1903

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Wheat, Oats, Barley

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The farm land has been leased out since 1969 when George Anderson died.

Mabel E. and James D. Anderson signed a quit claim deed over to James W. Anderson in 1988, with a life estate clause. Since Mabel & James D. are still living, I wish to have their names included on the Century Certificate.

I apologize for this application being a couple of weeks late. Mabel had the form ready to be mailed, but she got sick & was been hospitalized and the form got lost somewhere.

Any other correspondence can either be mailed to the farm address or to me at this address.

James W. Anderson  
714 20<sup>th</sup> St. N.W.  
Bemidji, MN. 56601

Thank You,  
James W. Anderson

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM ALTON L. ARNESS  
NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE ALTON & GEORGINE ARNESS  
ADDRESS RT 1 BOX 88 FLSHER MINN. 56723  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)  
PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 281-3409

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

SECTION 9 TOWNSHIP ROOME COUNTY POLK  
NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 80  
DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1895  
HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)

W 1/2 of S.W. 1/4 Township 149 Range 48

PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>ALBERT</u>	<u>1895 - 1934</u>	<u>FATHER OF ARTHUR</u>
Next Owner <u>ARTHUR</u>	<u>1934 - 1961</u>	<u>FATHER OF ALTON</u>
Next Owner <u>ALTON</u>	<u>1961 - PRESENT</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.  
Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
( ) Original Deed (X) Other: TRUSTEES' DEED

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Alton Arness  
(signature of present owner)

4/11/95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? The St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba  
Railway Co.

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 80

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \$6.50

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? BODA, NORWAY

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?

IF SO, PLEASE LIST FISHERMAN IN NORWAY

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? No

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1914

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? ~~CATTLE~~ CATTLE, GRAIN  
& Sugar Beets

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

My Great Grand Father Alexander  
Lived with my Grandfather ALBERT.  
I'm the 4th Generation on this Farm

1989 Farmstead Beautification Award  
For Polk Co.

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM SHARON CARLSTROM - DUNHAM DARRELL R. DUNHAM ERROL F. CARLSTROM

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE ~~SAME AS ABOVE~~

\* SHARON CARLSTROM - DUNHAM \*

ADDRESS RR1 Box 227A FOSSILTON MN 56542  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code 218 668-2604

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 19 TOWNSHIP COLUMBIA COUNTY POLK

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 154.24

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1883

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
N 1/2 NE 1/4, & E 1/2 NW 1/4

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To		Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>HEDDA G. OSTMAN</u>	<del>1883</del>	<u>FEB 13,</u>	<u>MOTHER OF HEDVIG</u>
<u>FRANK O. OSTMAN</u>	<u>1883</u>	<u>1928</u>	<u>FATHER OF HEDVIG</u>
Next Owner	<u>FEB 13</u>	<u>OCT 25</u>	
<u>HEDVIG OSTMAN CARLSTROM</u>	<u>1928</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>MOTHER OF FRANCIS</u>
Next Owner		<u>MAY 14</u>	
<u>FRANCIS ALFRED CARLSTROM</u>	<u>OCT 25 1956</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>FATHER OF SHARON</u>
Next Owner			
<u>SHARON CARLSTROM DUNHAM</u>	<u>MAY 14 1993</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	
Next Owner			

The above evidence of continuous family ownership is taken from one or more of the following records.

Check those that apply:

- ☒ Abstract of Title      ☒ Court File in Registration Proceedings ~~66-27~~  
☐ Land Patent      ☐ County land Record  
☐ Original Deed      ☒ Other: FARMERS DIRECTORY OF COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP 1915

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sharon Dunham  
(signature of present owner)

15 April 1995  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? HOMESTEAD

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160 ACRES

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? SWEDEN

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? OWNED GROCERY IN  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST LENGBY, WAS LOCAL SCHOOL TEACHER, OWNED HOTEL FOSSBRO

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? YES

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? ORIGINAL PERMANENT HOME STILL STANDING

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1992

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? WHEAT, CORN, DAIRY COWS

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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Mail Application To: **Carl E. Wilson**, Chairman, **CEW**, 19350 "W" Ave., #150, Irvine, CA 92614

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**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM Wendell + Hilda Opdahl

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE Wendell + Hilda Opdahl

ADDRESS Rd 1 Box 160 Irond Minn 56684  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code 218 268-4430

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 5 TOWNSHIP North Pine - 149 COUNTY Dakota

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY July 12, 1800

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? No IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
Sec 5 - Twp 149 Range 040

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From To	Relationship to next owner
<u>Aver + Jeannie Opdahl</u>	<u>July 12 1800 1828</u>	<u>Grand Grandparents</u>
First Owner		
<u>Aver - Jeannie Opdahl</u>	<u>July 12 1800 - 1820</u>	<u>-----</u>
Next Owner		
<u>Andrew + Mabel Opdahl</u>	<u>April 25 - 1828</u>	<u>Grandpa + Grandma</u>
Next Owner		
<u>Henry, Wendell + Helen</u>	<u>Oct 17 - 1975</u>	<u>Andrew + Mabel - Sons + daughters</u>
Next Owner		
<u>Wendell + Hilda Opdahl</u>	<u>Present - Nov - 16 - 1981</u>	<u>Son + Daughter - in law</u>
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- ( ) Abstract of Title ( ) Court File in Registration Proceedings  
( ) Land Patent ( ) County land Record  
(X) Original Deed ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information listed above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of present owner)

June 27, 1995  
(date)

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Opdahl Brothers + Sisters

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? 200.00

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? old home - new home - 1893  
June 1892 Winton, Minnesota

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING?  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST repair work - lumber sawing  
machine shed - not in use - moved garage to Wendell farm  
bull 1955 -  
own farm

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? Yes

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? machine shed - not in use - moved garage to Wendell farm  
he built in 1955 -

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1893

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? gats, barley, soy - wheat - flax  
quaco - small clover - alfalfa - potatoes

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Wendy worked on this farm 4 years -  
closed down then he worked on construction then  
1959 we bought 80 acre farm and moved to it  
then we bought farm 81 -

Sam & Mary Jones work up to work also for  
How Mill does custom sawing and for him  
Self.

Hilda has worked Inter County Community Council  
for 26 years - she handles the Senior Craft programs  
and SEmployment -

They celebrated 40 years in June married 40 yrs and have  
to this union have 2 children Carol (married) & Dale  
She is medical secretary - with a son & daughter Robert  
and son married to Althea Churner - he lives semi for  
David has the hauling all over in the local - they have  
2 daughters Ashley - Kelly  
she loves hauling

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Minnesota State Fair  
**CENTURY FARM APPLICATION**

**DEADLINE: July 1**

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

JUN 29 1995

PRESENT OWNER OF FARM James A. and Janice M. Paulson

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE James and Janice Paulson

ADDRESS R#2 Box 208 TRAIL MN 56684  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218) 268-4522

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION 7 TOWNSHIP Eden COUNTY Polk

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 160

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY 1895

HAS FARM BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED AS A CENTURY FARM? NO IF SO, WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement, etc.)  
SE 1/4 of sec. 7 TWP 149 RANGE 039

**PROOF OF 100 YEARS OWNERSHIP**

Name	Years of Ownership From - To	Relationship to next owner
First Owner <u>+ Sylvia</u> <u>LARSP. Paulson</u>	<u>1895 - 1948</u>	<u>Father of Alvin</u>
Next Owner <u>+ Catherine</u> <u>ALVIN PAULSON</u>	<u>1948 - 1976</u>	<u>Father of James</u>
Next Owner <u>+ Janice</u> <u>James Paulson</u>	<u>1976 - Present</u>	
Next Owner		
Next Owner		

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Check those that apply:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Patent       | <input type="checkbox"/> County land Record                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Deed     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                           |

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James & Janice Paulson  
(signature of present owner)

6-27-95  
(date)

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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? Homesteaded; then to son; to son

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 160

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Sweden

DID HE/SHE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? WORKED IN TRAIL  
IF SO, PLEASE LIST at a Lumber yard besides farming.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? yes homestead certificate # 8449  
(we have the original cert.)

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? NO

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1920

WHAT WERE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? OATS, wheat, corn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Dairy farm, hogs & chickens, when  
homesteaded.

Dairy farm here till 1986. We now have a  
beef/cow, calf operation & grain farm.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

PRESENT CENTURY FARM OWNER ROBERT HENRY PETERSON & ANITA PETERSON MORGAN

NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE ROBERT HENRY PETERSON &

ANITA PETERSON MORGAN

ADDRESS 404 5th Ave. S..E, East Grand Forks, Mn. 56721  
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

PHONE NUMBER area code (218 ) 773-0308

ADDRESS OF FARM IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE TABOR, MN.

SECTION 6 TOWNSHIP 153, N. COUNTY POLK

NUMBER OF ACRES IN THE FARM AT PRESENT 159.08

DATE OF ORIGINAL PURCHASE BY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY June II, 1889

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND (from deed, abstract, tax statement) \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTRACT & DEED & TAX STATEMENT

PROOF OF 100 YEARS CONTINUOUS OWNERSHIP:

Name	Years of Ownership from - to	Blood Relationship to next Owner
<i>first owner</i> KAREL ZEJDLIK	1889-- 1905	FATHER TO FRANK J. ZEJDLIK
<i>next owner</i> FRANK J. ZEJDLIK BESSIE M. PETERSON	1905--1932 1932--1969	FATHER OF BESSIE ZEJDLIK PETERSON wife of Harry Peterson
<i>next owner</i> HARRY PETERSON Delbert Peterson	1969--1971 1971--1981	Father of Delbert & Robert Peterson Uncle to Anita Peterson Morgan
<i>next owner</i> Robert H. Peterson Betty J. Peterson and	1971--1993 1993-- present	wife of Betty J. Peterson & father to Anita Peterson Morgan
<i>next owner</i> Anita Peterson Morgan	1981 -- to present	

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(signature of present owner)

(date)

Sign + certificate sent 12/5/95



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FROM WHOM WAS THE FARM PURCHASED? The United States by President B. Harrison

HOW MANY ACRES WERE IN THE ORIGINAL PARCEL? 159.08

WHAT WAS THE COST OF LAND PER ACRE? unknown

WHERE WAS THE FIRST FAMILY OWNER BORN? Czechoslovakia

DID HE FARM THE LAND? yes

DID HE ENGAGE IN ANY TRADES OR OCCUPATIONS OTHER THAN FARMING? yes

F.J. Zejdlik Son of Karel became and owned a bank and grocery store in East Grand Forks, Mn.

WAS THIS A HOMESTEAD? No

IS THE ORIGINAL HOME, OR ANY PORTION OF IT, OR OTHER ORIGINAL BUILDING STILL STANDING OR IN USE? There is a home built later about 1928

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT HOME BUILT? 1928

WHAT ARE THE FARM'S MAJOR CROPS OR PRODUCTS? Small Grain crops

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: F. J. Zejdlik and Maria Holub, his wife had three sons & Four daughters. He left each of his children one quarter acres of land. At the Present time four quarter are still owened by family members of the Zejdlik family.

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June 23, 1995

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Last year I sent a history  
form for the zeydlik farm located  
in Polk County, Iowa trap,  
sect 6 - Twp - 153 - Range 048  
SE 4 - NW4 lots 34-5 - lots - 1 & 2 -

I have never received a reply -  
from the Gar Ass. If I need to  
send more information please  
write and I would also like  
more forms for 2 other farms  
I would appreciate a reply.

Betty Peterson