

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 08, 2007 Council Session

Item C2

Proclamation "Hall County 150 Celebration" May through December, 2007

150 years ago in July of 1857, five Americans and 32 German Immigrants selected the Platte Valley in the heart of the Nebraska Territory as their permanent settlement. Over the years this diverse population through their rich heritage has become the thriving community it is today. Mayor Hornady has proclaimed the month of May through December 2007 as "Hall County's 150th Celebration" and would encourage all citizens in Grand Island to participate in the county-wide celebration activities. See attached PROCLAMATION.

Staff Contact: Mayor Margaret Hornady

City of Grand Island City Council

HALL COUNTY, NEBRASKA



WHEREAS.

the County of Hall was founded in July of 1857 by five Americans and 32 German Immigrants who selected an area in the Platte Valley in the heart of the Nebraska Territory; and

WHEREAS,

this first permanent settlement was located in an area north of "the Grand

Island" a well known landmark in the Platte River; and

WHEREAS,

this original 'German Settlement' became the County of Hall wherein flourished first, the city of Grand Island followed by the cities of Alda,

Wood River, Cairo and Doniphan; and

WHEREAS,

Hall County has a rich heritage, diverse population and thriving economy, a leader in agriculture, commerce and tourism whose roots lie with the early pioneer trails and the first transcontinental railroad, highway, and interstate; and

WHEREAS,

2007 marks the 150th Anniversary of the founding of Hall County and provides a time to reflect upon the courage, vision, and enterprise of those early settlers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I. Margaret Hornady, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim May through December, 2007 as

"HALL COUNTY'S 150TH CELEBRATION"

in honor of the founding of Hall County, Nebraska, and urge all citizens of Grand Island to participate in the county-wide celebration activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this eighth day of May in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seven.

Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk