



APRIL 2019 IS GRANGE MONTH

WHEREAS, The Grange strengthens individuals, families and communities through grassroots action, service, education, advocacy and agriculture awareness; and

WHEREAS, The Grange has played a major role in the development of rural America during three centuries, advocating for legislative protection for farmers through the Granger Laws in the 1800s; promoting research and education to improve agriculture through the Cooperative Extension Service and Land Grant Colleges and working to expand mail delivery and electricity to rural areas in the 1900s; and encouraging the expansion of broadband internet service and improvement of rural healthcare in the 2000s; and

WHEREAS, The Grange continues today to be an active force in thousands of communities across the country; and

WHEREAS, The Grange provides leadership, motivation, and education to bring together rural and urban families and offers them opportunities for personal growth and individual expression; and

WHEREAS, The Grange emphasizes civic responsibility and the involvement of people in the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, The Grange promotes service to the local community and volunteerism to improve the quality of life and economic well-being of its members and friends; and

WHEREAS, Grange members everywhere wish to celebrate and express their pride in the legacy of their highly respected organization;

THEREFORE, _____, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as Grange Month.

SIGNED BY: _____ DATE: _____

