



REQUEST FOR COMMISSION ACTION
CITY OF INDEPENDENCE
June 25, 2020

Department Administration

Director Approval Kelly Passauer

AGENDA ITEM Consider a Sesquicentennial Proclamation proclaiming July 25, 2020 as Independence Sesquicentennial Day, and July 4, 2020 through July 4, 2021 as the Year of the Independence Sesquicentennial.

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION Authorize the Proclamation.

BACKGROUND The Sesquicentennial Committee has requested that the Mayor proclaim July 25, 2020 as Independence Sesquicentennial Day, and July 4, 2020 through July 4, 2021 as the Year of the Independence Sesquicentennial.

BUDGET IMPACT N/A

SUGGESTED MOTION I move to proclaim July 25, 2020 as Independence Sesquicentennial Day, and July 4, 2020 through July 4, 2021 as the Year of the Independence Sesquicentennial.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS Proclamation

Sesquicentennial Proclamation

Whereas: The original settlement known as Hay Town was settled in 1869, and

Whereas: This settlement was later named Independence and incorporated on July 25, 1870, and

Whereas: Through the diligence of many of our early settlers, businesses and services were created that contributed to the success of the budding community, and

Whereas: The prosperity and development that the city has enjoyed is a direct reflection of the leadership shown by its elected officials and business owners over the past 150 years, and

Whereas: The future success and prosperity of Independence is assured through the determination, strength and heart of her citizenry, and the honest and faithful stewardship of current and future city officials, and

Whereas: The Sesquicentennial Committee has been planning the 150th anniversary since late 2019, and

Whereas: The Mayor and City Commission of Independence recognize the efforts of the Sesquicentennial Committee which has planned activities for July 4, 2020 through July 4, 2021, and

Now Therefore: I, Leonhard Caflisch, current Mayor of the City of Independence, do hereby proclaim July 25, 2020 the official

Independence Sesquicentennial Day.

Further: I proclaim July 4, 2020 through July 4, 2021 the

Year of the Independence Sesquicentennial,

and encourage all citizens to join with the Independence Sesquicentennial Committee to celebrate the history of Independence, Kansas.

LEONHARD CAFLISCH, MAYOR

DATE SIGNED