WOODBURY COUNTY FREEDOM ROCK PROCLAMATION

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Resolution 12,683

To recognize and honor the service and sacrifice of those citizens who have and those who continue to serve in all branches of the Armed Forces of the United States and the U.S. Public health Service; hereinafter known as the Uniformed Services; while protecting our freedom, and safeguarding our democracy.

WHEREAS, Mr. Ray Sorenson was inspired by the motion picture "Saving Private Ryan" to create works of art on stone in all 99 counties in Iowa as a lasting tribute to the men and women who have preserved and protected the ideals set forth in the U.S. Constitution for over 242 years, and

WHEREAS, these works of art are supported by the communities and counties in which they are located, and

WHEREAS, the community of Anthon has come forward in support of Mr. Sorenson's vision for a Freedom Rock representative of the service and sacrifices of Woodbury County residents involved in global peacekeeping, and

WHEREAS, the community of Anthon has caused a large stone to be designated as The Woodbury County Freedom Rock and has caused it to be located in Anthon Iowa, and

WHEREAS, the community of Anthon has committed to the expenditure of considerable time and expense in support of The Woodbury County Freedom Rock and,

WHEREAS, The Woodbury County Freedom Rock is an impressive and positive piece of art which along with other attractions in the county will contribute to the overall increase of tourism in Northwest Iowa and Woodbury County specifically,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors formally recognizes The Woodbury County Freedom Rock located in Anthon Iowa as a significant piece of art and part of Mr. Ray Sorenson's 99 county commemorative vision. And, be it further resolved that the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors publicly salutes the efforts of Mr. Sorenson and the citizens of Anthon in the improvement and betterment of Woodbury County and that August 19th of each year be designated as Woodbury County Freedom Rock Day.

DATED this 23rd day of January, 2018.

Rocky De Witt, Chairman

Marty Pottebaum, Member

Jeremy Taylor, Member

Keith Radig, Member

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Matthew Ung, Member

Áttest: Patrick F. Gill, Woodbury County Auditor