
State of Iowa
Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

PROCLAMATION

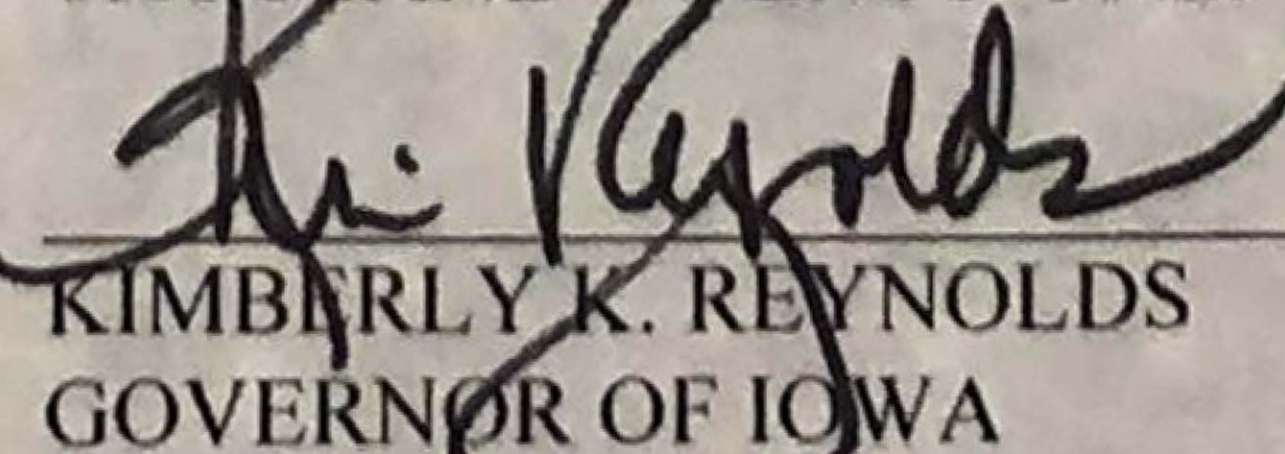
- WHEREAS,** the State Historical Society of Iowa shares stories of the people and places of our state that can inspire us today; and
- WHEREAS,** the Ioway, the Meskwaki and other native people have generations of history here, and that Meskwaki elder Wacochachi presented a remarkable drawing of animals of Iowa and events in his life to his friend George Davenport of Scott County in the 1830s; and
- WHEREAS,** Iowans including the Todds of Fremont County, the Hitchcocks of Cass County, the Jordans of Polk County, the Maxsons of Cedar County and multiple others violated federal law and assisted Black freedom seekers on the Underground Railroad; and
- WHEREAS,** after the Civil War, all Iowa counties emphasized community building and became home for immigrants as demonstrated by Sarah and Samuel Groth of Sioux County; and
- WHEREAS,** Iowans with Latin ancestry including the Ayala and Rivera families of Kossuth and Webster Counties worked in agriculture and on railroads in the 1900s to further build thriving towns; and
- WHEREAS,** Iowa provides a multitude of opportunities as represented in the life of Justice Linda Neuman who became the first woman on the Iowa Supreme Court in 1986 and the stories of immigrants from Asia including Shoua Her of Oskaloosa:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kimberly K. Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim December 28, 2021 as

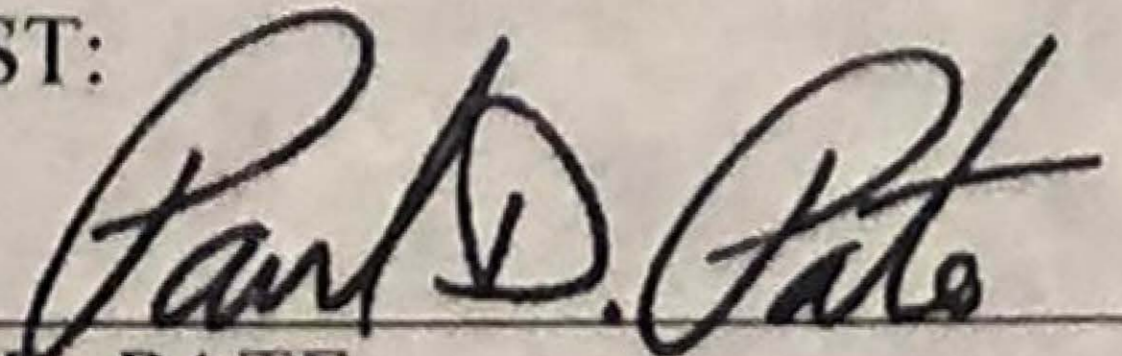
IOWA STATEHOOD DAY



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE
HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND
CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE
OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES
MOINES THIS 8th DAY OF DECEMBER IN
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO
THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE.


KIMBERLY K. REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:


PAUL D. PATE
SECRETARY OF STATE