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March 24, 2025

Dear Legislators,

On behalf of the Delano Area Chamber of Commerce, I am writing to express our strong support for MN HF2471 and MN SF2830, which seeks to recognize and support Delano Sesquicentennial or 150th anniversary celebration. This milestone is a significant event for our community, and we greatly appreciate any legislative efforts to ensure its success.

Delano was incorporated on February 11, 1876, Delano has grown into a vibrant city with rich history, a thriving business, and strong sense of civic pride or "Spirit of Community". The Sesquicentennial celebration will provide an opportunity to honor our past, celebrate our present and inspire our future. The yearlong events will bring together residents, businesses and visitors, generating economic activity and fostering community engagement.

Support for this bill will allow us to enhance our commemorative events, preserve historical elements of our site, and promote tourism and local businesses. The Delano Area Chamber of Commerce is committed to working alongside local and state leaders to ensure that this yearlong celebration reflects the importance of our community's history and continued growth.

We urge you to support MN HF2471 and MN SF2830 and help make Delano's sesquicentennial a memorable and impactful event for all. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please, do not hesitate to reach out if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Linda Althoff

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Linda Althoff', is written over the printed name.

Executive Director

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