

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-18

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DECATUR COUNTY, KANSAS, as follows:

WHEREAS, the United States Government has indicated that they are considering designation of the Chisholm National Historic Trail and the Great Western National Historic Trail; and

WHEREAS, the farmers of Decatur County and around the United States feed the world; and

WHEREAS, the economy of Decatur County is nearly completely and totally tied to the success of production agriculture; and,

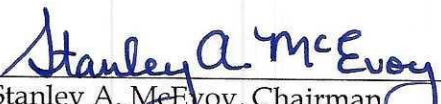
WHEREAS, many of our ancestors came to America because land was not plentiful in their native lands and the Homestead Act allowed them to own land by making improvements; and,

WHEREAS, private land ownership is a very important concept to our society;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Decatur County, Kansas by the authority granted the Board by the laws of the State of Kansas and people of Decatur County, Kansas, we hereby call upon Congress to pass laws that prohibit the designation of the Chisholm National Historic Trail and the Great Western National Historic Trail, and that our elected officials, including the President, educate themselves as to the importance of production agriculture in feeding the world, of the efforts taken by farmers and ranchers to be good stewards of the land, of the fact that private ownership of land ought to be protected and of the devastation to our local economy and tax base if the designations of historic trails occur.


SECTION 6. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Dated this 11th day of July, 2023.


Stanley A. McEvoy, Chairman
Decatur County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Nora Urban
Decatur County Clerk


Brad Marcuson, Member
Decatur County Board of Commissioners


Karen Larson, Member
Decatur County Board of Commissioners