

DECLARATION OF HOMESTEAD,

IN ACCORDANCE with the Statute of July 4, 1776, I the undersigned, namely Fred R. Nickel, am a Native Born Free White Member of Posterity and not a member of the class of "citizens of the United States" from the Municipal District of Columbia, does hereby DECLARE:

1. THAT the mailing address for the HOMESTEAD is: Fred Nickel, General Delivery, Stevenson, Washington.
2. THAT the land for the HOMESTEAD is lawfully described as follows:

West Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 25 Township 2 North, Range 5 East, Willamette Meridian, located in the County of Skamania, State of Washington, Containing 20.476 Acres more or less.
3. THAT this land is Private Property, not under the Public Policy or in the public trust, and is used as the Principal Home for my family. It was paid for by cash in the sum of twenty one dollars of silver and other valuable consideration. The land that I own is intended for homestead, and is made for my family's exclusive benefit and not directly or indirectly for the benefit or use of any other person or persons whomsoever. I am now living in my home on the land with my family and have lived there since July 4, 1988. I intend to continue to live there until I decide otherwise.
4. THAT it is not real estate, nor is it to be deemed as commercial property of any kind. Notice was given to the State of Washington, through its agent, Nixon Handy, Assistant Attorney General, on June 23, 1981 that the land was being withdrawn from commercial timber production. The State of Washington consented by its silence. There has been no mortgage recorded against the land to put it into any kind of trust by any third party.
5. THAT this land, all appurtenant buildings and all future buildings, and improvements are claimed as my Homestead in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars of Silver under the Laws of the National Government of the United States passed May 20, 1862, "An Act to secure homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain", et seq. and other appropriate laws.
6. The Patent for this land was signed and Sealed by the President of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, and recorded in the Vancouver, Washington, Land Office by Karl David Stenman on April 19, 1913. Fred R. Nickel, who has right of possession, actual possession, Perfect Absolute Allodial

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Title, without limitation or condition, again recorded The Patent on November 12, 1982, in Skamania County (Book 81, Page 734). There was no proper timely challenge at that time by any person with any kind of claim of interest in the land.

7. I HEREBY DECLARE AND CLAIM SAID LAND AS A HOMESTEAD. NO FORMER DECLARATION OF HOMESTEAD HAS BEEN MADE BY ME.

8. I Aver and Certify that to the best of my Knowledge and Information, All of the foregoing is True and Correct.

Dated this 26th day of June, in the year of our Lord, 1989.

Fred R. Nickel
Fred R. Nickel

Signature Witnessed by:

Address

Bill Buchanan
Paul J. Verly
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