

**SAMPLE PROCLAMATION
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Whereas: For 143 years, the Grange has sought to advance the interest of farmers, rural Americans and our nation's families, regardless of where they might live, through the simple but powerful idea that by working together we can accomplish much for our communities; and

Whereas: Voluntary association with the Grange not only provides the benefits of economic and political cooperation for its members, but it also elevates their character by providing social, cultural and educational programs, along with opportunities for personal growth; and

Whereas: The Grange increases the influence of each of its members by giving them the opportunity to serve their community through projects and programs that make a difference in the lives of children, youth and our neighbors in need of assistance; and

Whereas: _____ Grange in _____ has served this community since _____.

Now, therefore be it resolved that April 2010 be proclaimed as GRANGE MONTH in recognition of the contributions made to _____ by _____ Grange over their many years of faithful service, and we hereby urge and encourage our friends and neighbors to join us in this well-deserved recognition.

Proclaimed this _____ day of _____ 2010

