

**SENATE RESOLUTION  
1999-8652**

By Senators Honeyford and B. Sheldon

WHEREAS, Sixty electors from the community of Prosser appeared before the Yakima County Commission on January 20, 1899, requesting a petition to hold an election for incorporation; and

WHEREAS, The community of Prosser had three hundred forty-one inhabitants in the area when an election was held on February 14, 1899, and the final vote was forty to eighteen in favor of incorporation; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislature approved the incorporation of Prosser as a Fourth Class City on March 2, 1899; and

WHEREAS, Prosser, in 1970, became a nonchartered code city and has remained that to this day; and

WHEREAS, Prosser High School has produced several state championship teams, including the 1969, 1992, and 1993 football squads, the 1967 boys' basketball team, the 1988 and 1989 girls' track squads, the 1989 girls' basketball team, and wrestlers Andy Soliman and Matt Elis in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Prosser Mayor Herb Schmidt has involved community members in determining the type of centennial celebration for the city; and

WHEREAS, The organizational committee has endeavored to schedule events throughout the year to celebrate Prosser's centennial; and

WHEREAS, Prosser is celebrating its centennial celebration through January 2000, beginning with a March 13th dedication of the pathway connecting Prosser to Grandview; and

WHEREAS, An oral history of Prosser will be featured on KZXR-FM, and articles about Prosser's history will be featured in the Prosser Record-Bulletin in April and May; and

WHEREAS, Other centennial events include a quilt show in April, an old-time fiddle contest on May 7th and 8th, a Prosser High School reunion in June which retired teachers and principals would be invited to attend, an old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration, the Prosser Wine and Food Fair on August 14th, a hot air balloon rally and harvest festival September 24th through 26th, and a New Year's dance at the Princess Theatre;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize and honor the city of Prosser, its residents and its former residents, as Prosser enjoys its centennial celebration throughout 1999 and January 2000.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1999-8652,  
adopted by the Senate March 31, 1999.

TONY M. COOK

Secretary of the Senate