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CENTURY FARM APPLICATION

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Eligibility Requirements;

1. Ownership within the same family for 100 or more years by July 4, 19__ of at least 40 acres of Iowa farmland.
2. Present owner must be related to a person who owned the land at least 100 years ago.
3. Application must be notarized and submitted by June 1, 19__.

- One Century farm marker per farm will be furnished by Iowa Farm Bureau. Additional markers may be purchased upon request.
- One Century Farm Certificate will be awarded for each legal farm owner by Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship. Additional certificates may be purchased.
- A state-wide Century Farms Award Ceremony is held at the Iowa State Fair every year. You will receive notice as to the time and date of the ceremony in July. If you should have any questions, please call this office at (515) 281-5323.

Phone No. _____

area _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name of Present Farm Owner

Paul T. Olson

Address of Century Farm, if different from above _____

Township Clay

Century Farm County Webster

Number of acres in farm at present

94

Date your ancestors first purchased this land

Jan 11, 1887

Local newspaper to be notified of Century Farm designation

Fort Dodge Messenger

Legal description of the land (from deed, abstract, or tax statement)

5 1/2 of SW 1/4 Sec. 35

35-87-29

List all ancestors who owned this land, beginning with original:

NAME

RELATIONSHIP TO PRESENT OWNER

Olof Olson - Grand father

Olof August Olson - Father

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM MARKER AND CERTIFICATE

Information you may be able to add to this form, while not essential to Century Farm Certification, will be most valuable to future historians. The questions below are offered only as a guide, so please feel free to add any other data, especially family or pioneer stories concerning the farm and area around it.

From whom was the farm purchased? _____

How many acres were in the original parcel? _____

What was the cost of land per acre? _____

Where was the first owner born? Sweden

Where did he live prior to moving onto the farm? Ft. Dodge

Was this a homestead? No

Did the first owner farm the land? _____

Did he engage in any trades or occupations other than farming? No

Is the original home, or any portion of it or other original buildings, still standing or in use? Yes

When was the present home built? 1896

What are the farm's crops or products? Corn - Soy Beans

I (we), Paul T. Olson
being duly sworn, depose and say that the statements on this application are true and correct with regard to the land described above.

Paul T. Olson
(Signature(s) of Applicant(s))

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of May 1996.

My Commission expires
1-19-1998

Nels A. Lidgast
Notary Public in and for the

County of Webster State of Iowa

Send to: Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
Century Farms Program
Wallace Building
Des Moines, IA 50319