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STATE SEAL

Idaho Session Laws, 1890-1891, pages 215-216.

AN ACT PROVIDING A GREAT SEAL FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO.

WHEREAS in compliance with a concurrent resolution adopted by the legislature, a joint committee of both houses has devised and recommended a great seal for the State of Idaho, and submitted the same to the legislature for its approval. Therefore,

Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. That the design drawn and executed by Miss Emma Edwards, of Boise City, and reported and recommended by the select joint committee to devise a great seal for the State with the Latin motto "Esto Perpetua," be adopted, and is hereby made the great seal of the State of Idaho.

Approved March 14, 1891.

STATE FLAG

Idaho Session Laws, 1907, page 304.

AN ACT, TO PROVIDE A STATE FLAG FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO.

Be It Enacted By the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. That a state flag for the State of Idaho be and the same is hereby adopted, the same to be as follows:

The state flag of the State of Idaho shall be blue, charged with the name of the State, in such colors and of such size and dimensions as shall be prescribed by the adjutant general of the State of Idaho.

Section 2. That said Adjutant General shall have general supervision over the form and construction of said flag.

Section 3. That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), out of the general fund of the

State, not otherwise appropriated shall be and the same hereby is appropriated to defray the expenses of the same, said appropriation being subject to the order of the Adjutant General, and to be allowed and audited in the same manner as all other bills presented against the State.

Section 4. That all other acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Whereas an emergency exists, therefor this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 12, 1907.

STATE BIRD

Idaho Session Laws, 1934, page 113.

AN ACT, DESIGNATING THE STATE BIRD.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. That the Mountain Bluebird (*Sialia arctica*) is hereby designated and declared to be the state bird of the State of Idaho.

Approved February 28, 1931.

STATE FLOWER

Idaho Session Laws, 1931, page 321.

When Emma Edwards started to design Idaho's state seal in 1890, legislative members agreed to identify syringa as their new state's flower. In 1931, along with other accepted symbols, it received statutory recognition.

AN ACT, DESIGNATING THE STATE FLOWER.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. That the Syringa (*Philadelphus lewisii*) is hereby designated and declared to be the state flower of the State of Idaho.

Approved March 2, 1931.

STATE SONG

Idaho Session Laws, 1931, page 185.

AN ACT, DESIGNATING THE STATE SONG OF IDAHO.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. That the song "Here We Have Idaho," sometimes known as "Our Idaho," the music for which was composed by Sallie Hume Douglas, is hereby designated and declared to be the state song of the State of Idaho.

Approved March 11, 1931.

STATE TREE

Idaho Session Laws, 1935, page 35.

AN ACT, DESIGNATING THE WHITE PINE AS THE STATE TREE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO.

WHEREAS, the members of Ellen Wright Camp, Franklin County Chapter, Daughters of Pioneers, by resolution, have asked that the White Pine be designated as the state tree of the State of Idaho.

NOW THEREFORE:

Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. The White Pine (*Pinus Monticolae*) is hereby designated and declared to be the state tree of the State of Idaho.

Approved February 13, 1935.

STATE GEM

Idaho Session Laws, 1967, page 56.

AN ACT, ESTABLISHING THE STAR GARNET AS THE OFFICIAL STATE STONE, OR STATE GEM, OF THE STATE OF IDAHO.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. The star garnet is hereby declared to be the official state stone, or state gem, of the State of Idaho.

Approved February 25, 1967.

STATE HORSE

Idaho Session Laws, 1975, page 239.

AN ACT, AMENDING CHAPTER 45, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION THERETO OF A NEW SECTION 67-4506, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE APPALOOSA IS DESIGNATED AND DECLARED TO BE THE STATE HORSE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. That Chapter 45, Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a new section, to be known and designated as Section 67-4506, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

67-4506. STATE HORSE DESIGNATED. - The Appaloosa horse is hereby designated and declared to be the state horse of the state of Idaho.

Approved, March 25, 1975.

STATE FOSSIL

Idaho Session Laws, 1988, page 50.

AN ACT, RELATING TO THE STATE FOSSIL; AMENDING CHAPTER 45, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-4507, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE HAGERMAN HORSE FOSSIL SHALL BE THE STATE FOSSIL OF THE STATE OF IDAHO.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

Section 1. That Chapter 45, Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 67-4507, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

67-4507. STATE FOSSIL DESIGNATED. The Hagerman Horse Fossil (species *Equus simplicidens* originally described as *Plesippus shoshonensis*) is hereby designated and declared to be the state fossil of the state of Idaho.

Approved March 16, 1988.

STATE DANCE

Idaho Session Laws, 1989, page 1088.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE SQUARE DANCE AS THE AMERICAN FOLK DANCE OF IDAHO.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, love of state and professions is enhanced by traditions that have become a part of our way of life and the customs of the American people; and

WHEREAS, we have distinctive and meaningful symbols of our ideals in our state's flag and in many cultural endeavors, but no official designation of a state folk dance; and

WHEREAS, the Square Dance, which was first associated with the American people and recorded in history since 1651, has consistently been the one dance traditionally recognized by the American people as a dignified and enjoyable expression of American folk dancing; and

WHEREAS, Square Dancing is the American folk dance which is called, cued, or prompted to the dancers, and includes squares, rounds, clogging, contra, line, and heritage dances; and

WHEREAS, official recognition of the Square Dance will enhance the cultural stature of Idaho both nationally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the Square Dance be added to the array of symbols of our state character and pride.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Session of the Centennial Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the folk dance known as the SQUARE DANCE is hereby designated as the American folk dance of Idaho.

Approved March 17, 1989.

STATE FISH

Idaho Session Laws, 1990, page 584-585.

AN ACT, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF A STATE FISH; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT; AMENDING CHAPTER 45, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-4508, IDAHO CODE, TO DESIGNATE THE CUTTHROAT TROUT AS THE STATE FISH.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. It is the sense of the legislature that the Cutthroat trout is the fish best representing all Idaho waters and anglers. The Cutthroat trout's historic significance as the first of the salmon or trout in Idaho and as a key resource for early Idahoans makes this fish an important part of Idaho's natural heritage. This fish's sensitivity to changing and degraded environments and its value as a sport fish for Idaho anglers makes it an ideal barometer for the quality of life. Dramatic declines in recent history highlight problems in natural environments and resource management. Recognition as the state fish can help build the public awareness and support necessary for thoughtful use of our aquatic habitats and all associated resources.

Cutthroat trout can be a symbol of Idaho's natural heritage and high quality environment.

SECTION 2. That Chapter 45, Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 67-4508, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

67-4508. STATE FISH DESIGNATED. The Cutthroat trout is designated and declared to be the state fish of the state of Idaho.

Approved April 5, 1990.

STATE INSECT

Idaho Session Laws, 1992, page 322.

AN ACT, RELATING TO A STATE INSECT; AMENDING CHAPTER 45, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-4509, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE MONARCH BUTTERFLY IS DESIGNATED AND DECLARED THE STATE INSECT OF IDAHO.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 45, Title 67, Idaho code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 67-4509, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

67-4509. STATE INSECT DESIGNATED. The monarch butterfly is designated and declared to be the state insect of Idaho.

Approved March 31, 1992.