THE PROPOSED

# **WISCONSIN**



# **TARTAN**

Wisconsin's Celtic Community's Gift to the State

#### A PROPOSED WISCONSIN TARTAN Historically, tartans served to identify a small group of Scottish highland clans and families, each with a recognized tartan

of their own. Now, over 5,000 recognized tartans around the world serve as unique means of identification and represent corporations, public bodies, individuals or commemorate specific events. The current means of identifying a Wisconsinite is either through the wearing of a red tie, skirt, scarf, cap, or vest. A Wisconsin Tartan gives the wearer a viable option which he can wear in wool, silk or cotton in the same type of attire plus

many interior decorating options for drapes, rugs, furniture upholstery, table cloths and decorative bunting. Robert McWilliam of Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin, discussed his concept of a Wisconsin Tartan with his friend, Dr. Phil Smith, a world authority in tartan weaving. Dr. Smith submitted a number of tartan designs based on the colors and design theory presented to him by Mr. McWilliam. The Proposed Wisconsin Tartan was selected by a committee from

the Milwaukee St. Andrews Society. The tartan is a hunting tartan having a blue green background. This color scheme was used in the tartans of many famous Wisconsin families such as Mitchell, Muir. Baird, Davidson ( Harley-Davidson), Rose (Milwaukee Mayor), Clark

#### (Astronaut), as well as Wisconsin governors MacArthur, Smith, Davidson and MacCallum. Elements of all these tartans are found in the Proposed Wisconsin Tartan. The colors also represent the natural resources and industries that have

#### historically made Wisconsin the great state that it is.

industries.

- STRIPE/COLOR SIGNIFICANCE/RATIONALE For Trade
- Renum
- Lead Mining in the Southwest corner of the state Grey
- The Lumber Industry and Wisconsin's Great Pine Forest Green
- Blue The two Great Lakes bordering Wisconsin creating the state's Maritime Trade as well as the Commercial and Recreational Fishing Industries, it also represents our state's Resort Industry found on the thousands of lakes within our
- state's borders Dairy and Brewing Industries
- Yellow
- Ded The University of Wisconsin System led the state into the Agriculture, Industrial and Technology Eras. It is one of Wisconsin's largest employers & major research & development resources which significantly helps all of Wisconsin's
- Where Yellow & Green

Intersect

national tartan, as well as tartans for all 32 Irish counties. There are four American National Tartans, one of which, the American District Tartan, was designed by John Cumming of Madison, Wisconsin. The University of Wisconsin in Scotland at Dalkeith has their own registered school tartan based on the colors of the four original participating campuses in the West Central Wisconsin Consortium. Some of the US Armed Services, like the Navy. Marines, and Air Force, have their tartans-some unofficial, and some, like the West Point Military Academy, are restricted as to who can wear them,

Wisconsin's Professional Sports Industry, exemplified by Green Bay Packers' colors.

There are 36 states in the United States who have their own State Tartan, including the neighboring states of Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. All eleven Canadian Provinces have their own tartans. There is an Irish

Your help in this endeavor will be greatly appreciated.

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#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on April 6, 1320, the Scottish Parliament, meeting at Abroath Abbey, sent a declaration to Pope John XXII that asserted the independence of Scotland and recited the services that their "Lord and sovereign, Robert the Bruce had rendered"; and

WHEREAS, the declaration of Scottish independence, known as the Declaration of Arbroath, states "for we fight not for glory, nor riches, nor honours, but for freedom alone, which no good man gives up except for his life", and

WHEREAS, in July of 1776, members of the Continental Congress declared their independence from England and formed the Unites Sates of America and as a country borne from revolution and a belief in freedom for all, it is appropriate to celebrate and recognize these values throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Tartan Day is a celebration held throughout the United States which hones cuttish Americans who have made outstanding contributions to our society and embody the beliefs of the "Declaration of Arbroath"; and

WHEREAS, over the centuries, the contributions of Scottish Americans to the growth and prosperity of our nation are well documented. Today, over six million Americans of Scottish decent reside within our borders and continue to contribute to a future filled with hope, possibility and boundless horizons,

 ${\bf NOW\ THEREFORE,\ I,\ Jim\ Doyle,\ Governor\ of\ the\ State\ of\ Wisconsin,\ do\ hereby\ proclaim\ {\bf April\ 6,2005\ as}$ 

#### TARTAN DAY

in remembrance of the declaration of Scottish independence and in recognition of the countiess contributions of Scottish American and commend this observance to all citizens.



hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this first day of April in the year two thousand five.

JIM DOWLE

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have

Secretary of State



#### ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

#### Relating to: declaring April 6 Tartan Day.

Whereas, on April 6, 1320, the Scots declared their independence; and

Whereas, that declaration included the noble words "we fight not for glory, nor riches, nor honours, but for freedom alone"; and

Whereas, April 6 is beginning to be recognized as Tartan Day, a day to celebrate not only that declaration but also the contributions that persons of Scottish descent have made to this country; and

Whereas, among those contributions are helping to form this country, as evidence by the fact that nearly half of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were of Scottish descent; and

Whereas, Neil Armstrong, Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Alva Edison, Katherine Hepburn, Edgar Allen Poe and James McNeil Whistler are among the many notable Scottish-Americans; and

Whereas, one acting governor of this state, Arthur MacArthur, and one governor, William Smith, were born in Scotland; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature declare April 6 "Tartan Day", urge the people of this state to recognize the significance of that date and to celebrate it and express their appreciation for the contributions that Scottish-Americans have made to this state and nation.

Schator Fred Risser

Senator Fred Risser President of the Senate

1/23/98

Representative Scott R. Jensen Speaker of the Assembly

Charles R. Sanders Assembly Chief Clerk



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#### Senate

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, as a result of the recent recess of the U.S. Senate, I did not get the opportunity to come to the Senate floor and recognize Sunday, April 6, 1997, as Tartan Day. This day is set aside to honor the millions of Scottish-Americans who have made outstanding contributions to our great country.

This date has a special significance for all those of Scottish heritage. It is the 677th anniversary of the Declaration of Arbroath—the Scottish Declaration of Independence which was signed on April 6,

This declaration of independence includes these inspirational lines: '\* \* we flight not for glory, nor riches, nor honors, but for freedom alone, which no good man gives up, except with his life.'

Mr. President, Scottish-Americans have left their mark as pioneers and innovators in the fields of science, technology, medicine, government, politics, economies, architecture, literature, the media, and the visual and performing arts. Their contributions to the history and development of the United States are invaluable.

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Some of these great past and present ScottishAmericans include: Neil Armstrong, Alexander
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Downs, Thomas Alva Edison, Malcom S; Forbes,
Katherine Hepbum, Billy Graham, Bill Hune,
Washington Irving, Robert MacNeil, William
Holmes McGuffley, Andrew Mellon, Samoel B.
Moose, Grandma Moses, Jamen Naismith, Edgar
Allen Poe, Willard Soott, Robert Louis Stevenson,
Gilbert Suart, Elizabeth Taylor, and James Nelveli
Whistler' just to mention a few.

Mr. President. Almost 11 percent of all the Nobel Prizes awarded have gone to people of Scottish ancestry.

Mr. President. A Tartan provides an instant recognition of a family and its kinship.

By recognizing Tartan Day we are commemorating all that is best in Scottish heritage. I believe it is important for the Senate to pause, even if it is belated, and to recognize Tartan Day. I firmly believe it will further emphasize the many Scottish contributions to the growth and development of the United States. Mr. President. As I look around the Senate Chamber I see many who can claim Scottish nucestry. I see my colleague and friend, John McCain. His family succesty and my mother's actually goes back to four Scottish families who migrated to Carroll County, MS, back in the 183°S I see others in this Chamber—Jould Gregg and Kay Bailey Hatchicon, and there are many more. Every day the Scottish in this Chamber—loud Gregg and words in the Declaration of Arbroad hast I quoted—they are here to advance freedom.

Mr. President. When our Nation was founded, almost half of the signers of America's Declaration of Independence were of Scottish descent. Throughout the history of our country three-fourths of our Presidents have been of Scottish ancestry. This tells me that despite the fact they are few in number. Scots tend to take seriously the word from the Declaration of Arbosath.

Many organizations were involved in making the observance of Tartan Day on April 6 a success. There are clan societies, clubs, and fraternal associations and individual Scots-Americans representing literally millions of Americans nationwide that participated. They include the Scots' Charitable Society (the oldest charitable society in the United States), the St. Andrew's Society of the City of Charleston, SC (the first St. Andrew's Society in the United States), the Saint Andrew's Society of New York, (the second oldest society in the United States); Scottish Society of Martha's Vineyard, MA; the American-Scottish Foundation, Inc.; the Association of Scottish Games and Festivals: the Caledonian Foundation, Inc.: the Clans of Scotland. USA; Council of Scottish Clans and Associations; Scottish Heritage USA, Inc.; the Illinois St. Andrew's Society; the Tartan Education and Cultural Association, Inc.; Highland Light Scottish Society, Massachusetts; Scottish Historic and Research Society of the Delaware Valley, PA, and numerous individual Scottish Americans including those from my own State of Mississippi.

Mr. President. I am proud to declare my Scottish-American ancestry and it is an honor to recognize the 677th anniversary of the Declaration of Arbroath. Tartan Day is indeed a significant day for

all Americans Lott

#### 109th CONGRESS

1st Session

H. RES. 41

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a day should be established as 'National Tartan Day' to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish-Americans to the United States.

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 25, 2005

Mr. MCINTYRE (for himself and Mr. DUNCAN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

#### RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a day should be established as 'National Tartan Day' to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish-Americans to the United States.

Whereas April 6 has a special significance for all Americans, and especially those Americans of Scottish descent, because the Declaration of Arbroath, the Scottish Declaration of Independence, was signed on April 6, 1320, and the American Declaration of Independence was modeled in part on that inspirational document:

Whereas this resolution honors the major role that Scottish-Americans played in the founding of the Nation, such as the fact that almost half of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were of Scottish descent, Governors in 9 of the original 13 States were of Scottish ancestry, and Scottish-Americans successfully helped shape the Nation in its formative verse and guidel it through its most troubled times:

Whereas this resolution recognizes the monumental achievements and invaluable contributions made by Scottish-Americans that have led to America's preeminence in the fields of science, technology, medicine, government, politics, economics, architecture, literature, media, and visual and performing arts:

Whereas this resolution commends the more than 200 organizations throughout the United States that honor Scothis heritage, tradition, and culture, representing the hundreds of thousands of Americans of Scottish descent, residing in every State, who already have made the observance of Tartan Day on April 6 a success; and

Whereas these numerous individuals, clans, societies, clubs, and fraternal organizations do not let the great contributions of the Scottish people go unnoticed: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the House of Representatives that a day should be established as 'National Tartan Day' to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish-Americans to the United States.



#### THE WHITE HOUSE

March 24, 2004

I send greetings to those celebrating Tartan Day.

Named for the distinct fabrics traditionally worn by Scottish clans, Tartan Day provides an opportunity for Americans of all backgrounds to recognize the contributions of Scottish Americans to our country. Scottish Americans have made our Nation stronger through their hard work, public service, and compassion. By sharing your heritage and culture, you enrich our Nation and reaffirm the ideals that make our Nation strong.

Laura joins me in sending our best wishes for an enjoyable celebration.



# Celebrate Cartan Day! April 6th

This April 0th join family and friends, neighbors and business associates at home and abroad in remembering our heritage. Celebrate Tartan Day, the day officially recognized by U.S. Senate Resolution 183 to honor the many contributions Scots-Americans have made to the character and development of the United States.

For information on Tartan Day celebrations in your area, contact: Robert Murdoch, National Chairman

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To order your Tartan Day 2005 pins, contact tartandaymn@aol.com



The following organizations, representing hundreds of Scottish-American groups and hundreds of thousands of individuals who are proud of their heritage, urge you to participate in Tartan Day.

THE SCOTTISH COALITION, composed of:

The American-Scottish Foundation, Inc.

Association of Scottish Games & Festivals
The Caledonian Foundation USA. Inc.

The Council of Scottish Clans and Associations, Inc.

The Living Legacy of Scotland, Inc.

Scottish-American Military Society, Ltd. Scottish Heritage USA, Inc.

Tartan Educational & Cultural Association, Inc.

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#### National American Tartans



American Bicentennial Commemorative Tartan WR91

American National 2962







Eagle motif on every blue square.

Tartan designed for all American ex-patriots





Dalkeith House

Wisconsin in Scotland (WIS) is an International Studies program offered by the West Central Wisconsin Consortium.

This tartan is registered with the Scottish Tartans Society for the exclusive use of the Wisconsin in Scotland program. It was designed by Morgan Clifford, professor of textiles at UW-River Falls, and a former faculty member of the WIS program. The colors of the four initial participating campuses depict the true blending of the institutions that founded the WIS program.



OR dry clean.

100% Lambs Wool, Woven in Scotland



Canadian

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#### Welsh Family Tartans

St Davids	Pride of Wales *	Davies •	Edwards	Ellis	Evans/ Bevan	Eynon/ Beynon
Griffiths •	Harris/Harry/ Parry b	Hopkins *	Howells/ Powell •	Hughes/ Pugh *	James *	Jenkins *
Jones *	Lewis *	Llewellyn *	Lloyd •	Meredith	Motgan ***	Morris •
Owen/ Bowen *	Phillips •	Pope	Powys	Rhys?Reace 1	Rice/ Price	Richard/ Pritchard

#### Number of states with official tartans continues to grow

The number of states with both "official" and "unofficial tratrans cultimus to grow. Among the latest "official" tartans is the California, approved by legislation passed this June. To be recognized as "official" by TEGA, a state tartan must be (1) approved by the state logislations assigned into key byte governor; (2) the subject of a resolution passed by one of the houses of the attale legislation; and the state of the state legislation; or consideration of the state legislation; or collection passed by one of the houses of the state legislation; or collection of the state legislation of the state legi

An "mofficial" textus is one that is generally recognized by the Socithis community within the state, but for whatever reasons has not been approved by the legislature. The Pennelyvania, for example, is generally recognized and is the taxtus chosen by the Pennelyvania State Police Pipe Band. A bill is currently in the legislature for the third time, languishing in a committee. The word is that it was allowed to lapse the first time because of the faur that many representatives would attach their favoriet "polic" projects to it foulth blocks has just unweithed the Black Billid" resul-

When there are two contenders for TECA recognition as state! retarts, TECA is sometimes called on to take sides. It would soing so. New Mexico and Maine both have two contenders. The "Arkaness" tartan was recognised by TeCA since it was preclaimed by Governor Huckabes in 1998. At bill for a rival tartan was introduced into the state now this past session, but did not pass. TECA records this as a tartan "Named for Arkaness."

Illinois (St. Andrews)

S Dakota (Black Hills)

Arkansas Pennsylvania

Kentucky

Carolina (N&S)

Massachusetts

Connections

rtan "Named for Arkansas."
TECA is aware of the following state tartans:

Arizona Oklahoma Indiana California Rhode Island Maine\* Colorado Tennessee

Montana Texas
Georgia New Hampshire
Utah Hawaii
New Mexico\* Vermont
Idabo Ohio

Washington
\*Two claimants

Wisconsin is considering a tartan. If any TECA members know of any other state tartans, please contact TECA HO with that information.



## Collection of tartan books is earning money for IATS/TECA

"Arguably the best work ever done on tartain, and certainly the most complete" reads the sales line in the Scottish Lyon catalog, Royalties from the sales of the three-volume series, "Tartans: Abbusford to ... Yukon," are coming in to the treasury of TECA.

Proceeds from the sale of these volumes are being donasted to TECA in hone the late Bill Johnston, founding member of TECA and its first president. It was his iden that sparked this tartans publication, and it was the TECA database that provided most of the turian illustrations used. Bill organised the trip to photograph the "epyroduction" and "weathered" tartan colors. Although Bill gailfernd his stroke before the books were actually written, they were truly his brainshild.

Royalties to date are over \$500, with the promise of even more in the years to come.

The series illustrates over 1,200 taxtans with thread counts for all but one or two The books are arranged alphabetically as Tartans; Abbottsford to Praser; Tartans: MacNeids to Tukon. They may be purchased from Phil Smith, Inc. 442 Freedom Bird, Conterville, P. 19200 at \$125 a volume plus postage and handling. An errata sheet for all three volumes is included.

#### Some of the Current State Tartans



OSHIA DIBIGON SHINI PENNYI YANIA GARRA ENDORI ISLAND GRIENA SOUTH DAKOTA GHOTO TINNESSEE GISHIP TIXAS

000840: WASHINGTON

003249: VERMONT

003747: UTAH

Proposed WISCONSIN State tartan

# Suggested Uses of the Wisconsin Tartan Weathered Gunn (613) Modern MacKinnon (433) Ancient MacNeil of Colonsay (131) Wilson Ancient (189) Black Watch (308) Robertson (482)

MacKenzie MacKenzie MacKenzie Ancient Weathered Modern











If you do not know who your Legislators are, you can call the Legislator Information Hotline, toll free 1.800.362.9472.

support the Wisconsin State Tartan Bill.

They will give you the names of your Assemblymen and Senator, as well as their phone number, email and address.

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Please call or write them and ask that they