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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Montana State Historical Firearm

I, Hayes Otoupalik, do hereby state that I support the legislation of Montana of making the M1873 Winchester Rifle as Montana's State Historical firearm.

No less than nearly 800,000 of these rifles were manufactured between 1873 and the late 1920s. Thousands of them were purchased by early Montana Cowboys, Miners, Hunters, Lawmen, sutlers, etc, etc. No less of an early Montana Pioneer and personality Granville Stuart--Rancher, Cattleman, and Montana Vigilante--purchased one of these rifles for his personal use ad did thousands of his fellow Montana citizens.

This legislation is supported by the various Organizations for which I represent and are listed under my signature below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads 'Hayes Otoupalik'. The signature is written over a faint background illustration of a cowboy on a horse.

Hayes Otoupalik

Weapons Collectors Society of Montana, Immediate past President
Rocky Mtn. Museum of Military History, Board of Director
National Doughboy Historical Society, President of the Board
North Western National Military Museum, Vice President of the Board



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