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New Glarus, Wis. – The Wisconsin Historical Society has awarded the Village of New Glarus with a \$12,500 historic preservation grant to produce a National Register of Historic Places nomination for the 2nd Street Commercial Historic District and the 1st and 2nd Streets Historic District. These Certified Local Government subgrants are part of a federal program administered by the Wisconsin Historical Society.

“The Society’s historic preservation program supports the work of local governments to educate their citizens about their past, identify and document their historic properties, assist in their preservation and provide economic assistance through grants and historic tax credits,” said Jim Draeger, State Historic Preservation Officer at the Wisconsin Historical Society.

These funds will be used to produce National Register of Historic Places nominations for historic properties in the New Glarus community to support the village’s

continuing historic preservation efforts. The project will identify and document important properties that may benefit from economic and technical assistance provided through the Society's historic preservation program. The information from the survey will aid property owners, promote economic development and reinvestment, support historic tourism and provide the city with information to assist future planning for the preservation of these irreplaceable resources.

"We are truly excited to receive this grant as it will allow us to designate and formally recognize one of our important commercial corridors as a historic district," said Roger Truttmann, Village President of New Glarus. "This, in turn, will allow those property owners to leverage additional financial resources to maintain and enhance some of our most important historic buildings."

The Society's historic preservation program also helps preserve places of enduring value by administering the state and national register programs and providing an array of technical assistance. Only units of government with approved historic preservation programs are eligible for these subgrants.

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