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 The United States of America,

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

Homestead Certificate No. 1516

Application 2153

Whereas, there has been deposited in the **General Land Office** of the United States, a **CERTIFICATE** of the Register of the Land Office at *Traverse City Michigan*, whereby it appears that pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of *Melissa Fowler, widow of Jester Fowler, deceased*, has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the *North west quarter, of Section Seventy, in Township Twenty-five North, of Range ten West, in the district of lands subject to sale at Traverse City Michigan, containing one hundred and eighty acres,*

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the **General Land Office** by the **SURVEYOR GENERAL**.

Now know ye, That there is therefore granted by the **UNITED STATES** unto the said *Melissa Fowler*, the tract of Land above described: **To Have and to Hold** the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said *Melissa Fowler*, and to her heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony whereof, *Ulysses S. Grant* **PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the **Seal of the General Land Office** to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the *twelfth* day of *February*, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *seventy four*, and of the Independence of the United States the *ninety eighth*,

By the President: *U. S. Grant*

By *L. O. Williams*, Sec'y.

L. K. Zippert, Recorder of the General Land Office.

