



MICHIGAN MILESTONE AWARD APPLICATION

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The Michigan Milestone Award celebrates the heritage and special status of your organization, business, or municipality with an official Michigan Milestone Plaque. This distinguished plaque is authorized by the Historical Society of Michigan. The plaque will remind your community of the rich heritage you are part of and help celebrate the many contributions that your business, organization, or municipality has made to the vitality of the community and to the state of Michigan.

SECTION 1: BASIC INFORMATION

I am applying for a Milestone:

- Business Organization Municipality

Official name (NOTE: This will be the name listed on the plaque unless otherwise specified):

Street Address:

City, State, ZIP:

Name and title of Chief Executive Officer:

Nature of business/organization/municipality today:

SECTION 2: SHIPPING & CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Name and Title:

Contact Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Shipping Address (if different than business location):

SECTION 3: HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Founding Date (include month and day if possible):

- I have enclosed primary source documentation verifying founding date (city directory, newspaper, company records, etc. that are contemporary to the date of founding).

Original name (if different):

Original nature of business/organization/municipality:

If a business, is it still owned and operated by its founding family? If so, please describe:

Please list major changes in name, ownership, location, or other significant events:

Change in Name, Ownership, or Location

Date

SECTION 4: HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Please provide a brief historical narrative of the business, organization, or municipality (at least 500 words). Include biographical information about significant figures that may have played an important role in the business's or community's development. Enclose additional pages if necessary.

SECTION 5: PHOTOGRAPHS

Please provide film or printed digital photographs of significant features of your business, organization, or municipality. These photos can be current, historical, or both. Photographs should be hardcopies (no smaller than 3½" x 5½") or digital (high resolution, 400 dpi or more). Place photos in an envelope and attach to application or include a USB flash drive for digital photos.

SECTION 6: CHECKLIST

I have enclosed the following materials:

- A completed Milestone Application
- A fee for the appropriate Milestone sign (see below)
- Documentation verifying founding date
- Photographs (current or historic) of business, organization, or municipality

Please mail application, order form, information, and payment to:

Historical Society of Michigan
7435 Westshire Drive
Lansing, MI 48917

SECTION 7: ORDER FORM

We would like a:

- Half-century Milestone plaque
- Centennial Milestone plaque
- Sesquicentennial Milestone plaque
- Bicentennial Milestone plaque

Costs:

- Non-Profit: \$595 plus \$35 shipping – **Total \$630**
- Business: \$695 plus \$41.70 MI Sales Tax and \$35 shipping – **Total \$771.70**
- Municipality: \$795 plus \$35 shipping – **Total \$830**

NOTE: All plaques measure 15 inches x 20 inches



*Sample Business
Milestone plaque*



*Sample Organization
Milestone plaque*



*Sample Municipality
Milestone plaque*

SECTION 8: PAYMENT INFORMATION

Your sign payment can be submitted via check or money order. Do NOT send cash. To charge the fee to a major credit card, please see below:

Credit Card Type: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVV Code: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____
(3-DIGIT CODE ON BACK OF CARD)

I authorize the Historical Society of Michigan to charge the Centennial Certification Application Fee to my credit card.

Signature: _____ Date: _____