

RESOLUTION NO: 2023-BC-R-22

**RESOLUTION OF THE MADISON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CELEBRATING
THE BICENTENNIAL OF MADISON COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Madison County, Indiana, was officially established on November 10, 1823, marking the 200th anniversary of its founding, and

WHEREAS, Madison County has a rich and storied history, dating back to its early days as a hub for trade and commerce, with the establishment of a large trading post, which played a pivotal role in the growth and development of our community, and

WHEREAS, Madison County, situated along the White River, has been home to diverse industries, including agriculture, manufacturing, and healthcare, contributing significantly to the economic landscape of the county, and

WHEREAS, Madison County's vibrant communities have witnessed remarkable achievements and milestones throughout its history, such as the establishment of Anderson University and the birthplace of the iconic Hoosier poet, James Whitcomb Riley, and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Madison County have displayed remarkable resilience and dedication, especially during challenging times like the Great Depression and various industrial transitions, as they united to overcome adversity and ensure the county's prosperity, and

WHEREAS, Madison County's natural beauty, including the scenic White River, vast parklands, and historic architecture, has enriched the lives of its residents and attracted visitors from across the state and beyond, showcasing the county's unique character and offering recreational opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the 200th anniversary of Madison County is a significant milestone, an opportunity to reflect on our shared history, and a moment to envision an even brighter future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Madison County Board of Commissioners that:

The Commissioners officially recognize and celebrate the 200th anniversary of the founding of Madison County, Indiana, on November 10, 1823.

The Commissioners acknowledge the rich history and heritage of Madison County, which has contributed to the cultural, social, and economic growth of our community.

The Commissioners express gratitude to the residents, past and present, for their contributions to Madison County, and their unwavering commitment to the well-being and progress of the county.

The Commissioners acknowledge and applaud its residents who have participated in bicentennial celebrations and events during the 2023 Madison County Bicentennial Year.


The Commissioners express commitment to preserving and promoting the history and culture of Madison County for future generations, and to continue fostering a community that is inclusive, diverse, and forward-thinking.

This Resolution shall be duly recorded, and copies shall be made available to the public as a testament to the enduring spirit of Madison County and the significance of its 200th anniversary.

SO RESOLVED this 6th day of November, 2023.

Madison County Board of Commissioners

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