

**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the city of Batesville upon its Sesquicentennial "A Century and a Half" in 2002.

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_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



Introduced

Second Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2002)

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Whereas, on October 15, 1852, Dutch immigrant Teunis Amack sold 120 acres of land in Laughery Township to the John Callahan Trust Company;

Whereas, the city plat was laid out in 45 lots, recorded at Versailles on November 8, 1852, and named after Joshua Bates, an engineer, surveyor, and member of the Trust Company;

Whereas, the railroad was completed through the center of the Amack property, and the first train travelled through Batesville on Halloween of 1853;

Whereas, from 1859 to 1860, Henry Boehringer bought lumber and began erecting homes and commercial buildings financed by Herman Schrader;

Whereas, between 1867 and 1892 the extensive stands of hardwood timber in the Batesville area were utilized by at least nine furniture, coffin, and novelty factories;

Whereas, Batesville was incorporated in November of 1882, and the first fire department was organized in 1887;

Whereas, Robertson Smith laid out Hillcrest Golf Course north of the city in 1912, and Mr. and Mrs. George M.

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Hillenbrand donated Liberty Park to the city of Batesville in 1920 to include a World War One Memorial;

Whereas, in 1922 the Memorial Building was financed by monies from Batesville citizens as a World War One Memorial, and, in the same year, State Highway 46 was routed through the city;

Whereas, George M. Hillenbrand sold his business interests to his son, John A., and son-in-law, A. W. Romwebber, in 1930 to create Hillenbrand Industries and the Romweber Company, and Margaret Mary Hospital was dedicated in 1932, financed through gifts from Margaret Hillenbrand and her daughter, Mary Mitchell;

Whereas, the Batesville Memorial Pool was dedicated as a tribute to the veterans of World War Two in 1947, and Batesville celebrated “A Century of Progress”, its Centennial, in 1952;

Whereas, interstate I-74 opened between New Point and Batesville in 1963, and an Urban Renewal Program revitalized the downtown area between 1966 and 1974;

Whereas, in 1974, the Batesville Memorial Public Library was dedicated, built through a bequest from the John A. Hillenbrand Foundation;

Whereas, Batesville began a second downtown revitalization project in 2001; and,

Whereas, the City of Batesville celebrates its Sesquicentennial “A Century and a Half” in 2002, and it is a City that maintains a rich history while constantly revitalizing itself for the future: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:



1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honor the city of
2 Batesville upon its Sesquicentennial "A Century and a Half" in 2002.

3 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
4 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Mayor of
5 Batesville.

