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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION commemorating the 200th anniversary of Freemasonry in Indiana.

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION commemorating the 2 200th anniversary of Freemasonry in Indiana.

3 Whereas, January 12, 2018, marks the 200th year of the 4 Grand Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons of the State of 5 Indiana;

6 Whereas, On January 12, 1818, Freemasonry was first 7 sanctioned by the Grand Lodge of the Free and Accepted 8 Masons of the State of Indiana;

9 Whereas, The Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons has
10 established itself as an important part of the social and
11 fraternal fabric of the great State of Indiana;

Whereas, The 23 founders of the Grand Lodge of Indiana 12 were all prominent statesmen and pioneers: these founders 13 were General Washington Johnston, member of the Indiana 14 Territorial Legislature, attorney general and treasurer of the 15 Indiana Territory, and speaker of the Indiana House; Benjamin 16 Vincennes Beckes, member of the Indiana Legislature; Henry 17 P. Thornton, member of the Indiana Constitutional Convention 18 of 1850; Alexander A. Meek, United States attorney; Jeremiah 19 Sullivan, member of the Indiana Legislature, who proposed the 20 name Indianapolis for the new state capital; Joseph 21 Bartholomew, member of the Indiana House and Indiana 22 Senate; Alexander Buckner, member of the United States 23 Congress and United States Senate for the State of Missouri; 24 John Miller, member of the Indiana Legislature; Isaac Hawk, 25 speaker of the Indiana House; James Dill, member of the 26 Indiana Territorial Legislature and member of the Indiana 27



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Constitutional Convention of 1816; Davis Floyd, member of the 1 Constitutional Convention of 1816; John Tipton, member of the 2 Indiana Legislature and United States senator; Reuben W. 3 Nelson, member of the Indiana Legislature and candidate for 4 5 governor in 1825; Abel C. Pepper, member of the Indiana Legislature and member of the Constitutional Convention; 6 William C. Keen, member of the Indiana Legislature; 7 Christopher Harrison, member of the Indiana Territorial 8 9 Legislature and candidate for governor in 1819; Marston Clark, member of the Indiana House and Indiana Senate; 10 Stephen C. Stevens, member of the Indiana House and Indiana 11 Senate, and a justice of the Indiana Supreme Court; John B. 12 Rose, member of the Indiana Legislature; Samuel Tate, 13 14 carpenter; Jonathan Woodbury; Nathaniel Jenkins; and Hezekiah Hull, prosecuting attorney; and 15 Whereas, Freemasons played an important part in the 16 creation of our nation: Therefore, 17 18 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives* of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, 19 the Senate concurring: 20 21 SECTION 1. That in recognition of all Indiana Masons, and in celebration of the 200th anniversary of the founding of the 22 Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of 23 Indiana, the Indiana General Assembly commemorates January 24 12, 2018, as the 200th Anniversary of Freemasonry in the State 25 of Indiana. 26 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of 27 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Grand 28 Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons. 29

