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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Dubois  
2 County on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of its  
3 founding.

4           *Whereas, Dubois County is comprised of 432 square miles*  
5 *of territory and was originally populated by the Piankashaw*  
6 *and Shawnee tribes who established several principal trails*  
7 *that crossed the area;*

8           *Whereas, Prior to the American Revolution, Dubois County*  
9 *was part of the Commonwealth of Virginia, but in 1787,*  
10 *Congress established the Northwest Territory, which included*  
11 *what is currently Indiana;*

12           *Whereas, The location of Dubois County helped its early*  
13 *development;*

14           *Whereas, Dubois County was located on early Native*  
15 *American trails, two rivers (White River and Patoka River), and*  
16 *its location on the Buffalo Trace, which was a cleared path 10*  
17 *to 20 feet wide formed by the annual trip of thousands of*  
18 *buffalo from the plains of Illinois to the salt licks of Kentucky;*

19           *Whereas, Before Dubois County was formed, the area was*  
20 *part of Knox County and then subdivided into Gibson and Pike*  
21 *counties;*

22           *Whereas, In late 1817, the Indiana Legislature decided that*  
23 *there were enough people and activity in the area to warrant a*  
24 *separate county;*



1        *Whereas, The county was named after Toussaint Dubois,*  
 2        *who was the first person to own property in present day Dubois*  
 3        *County; although the county was named after him, he never*  
 4        *resided in Dubois County;*

5        *Whereas, Portersville was the first seat of county*  
 6        *government in Dubois County with governmental proceedings*  
 7        *conducted at the residence at Fort McDonald; but by 1818*  
 8        *there was a log courthouse and log jail;*

9        *Whereas, In 1830, the state legislature moved the county seat*  
 10       *of government to Jasper, where a new courthouse and jail were*  
 11       *constructed;*

12       *Whereas, Today the county includes two cities, Jasper and*  
 13       *Huntingburg; three towns, Ferdinand, Holland, and Birdseye;*  
 14       *and several communities, some of the bigger ones being*  
 15       *Dubois, Haysville, Ireland, St. Anthony, and St. Henry; and*

16       *Whereas, It is fitting to remember the past and acknowledge*  
 17       *the importance of Dubois County to the future: Therefore,*

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

21        SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly  
 22        congratulates Dubois County on the bicentennial of its  
 23        founding.

24        SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
 25        Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Dubois  
 26        County Council, the Dubois County Commissioners, and the  
 27        Dubois County Visitors Center and Tourism Commission.

