

**SENATE CONCURRENT
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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to support the work of the Indiana Semiquincentennial Commission for the 250th Anniversary of the founding of the United States of America.

QADDOURA, RAATZ

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to support the work of
2 the Indiana Semiquincentennial Commission for the 250th
3 Anniversary of the founding of the United States of America.

4 *Whereas, The 250th Anniversary of the founding of the*
5 *United States of America will occur on July 4, 2026;*

6 *Whereas, The United States Congress established the U.S.*
7 *Semiquincentennial Commission to coordinate the*
8 *commemoration and observation of the 250th Anniversary of*
9 *the founding of the United States and related events;*

10 *Whereas, The Indiana General Assembly on July 1, 2022,*
11 *established the Indiana Semiquincentennial Commission to*
12 *coordinate the commemoration and observation of the 250th*
13 *Anniversary of our Nation's founding;*

14 *Whereas, We must not forget the three Indiana Territory*
15 *settlers, Squire Boone, George Mason, and Francois Busseron*
16 *and their contributions to the American Revolution;*

17 *Whereas, Although not officially recognized as such until*
18 *1787, the territory northwest of the Ohio River was commonly*
19 *known as the Northwest Territory and was largely uncontested*
20 *during the early years of the American Revolution;*

21 *Whereas, We must not forget the contributions of the Native*
22 *American tribes that fought alongside early Americans against*
23 *British rule, such as the Oneida and Tuscarora Nations;*



1 *Whereas, In February of 1779, George Rogers Clark*
2 *captured Fort Sackville (Vincennes). In March of that same*
3 *year, an American detachment from Vincennes captured a*
4 *British reinforcement fleet of seven boats carrying 40 soldiers,*
5 *valuable supplies, and trade goods. These actions destroyed*
6 *much of the British military strength in the Wabash Valley and*
7 *marked the beginning of the end of British domination in*
8 *America's western frontier;*

9 *Whereas, A total of four battles occurred during the*
10 *American Revolution on Indiana soil;*

11 *Whereas, Over 1,600 soldiers and patriots that served*
12 *during the American Revolution are buried here in Indiana;*

13 *Whereas, We acknowledge the contributions of the women*
14 *of the American Revolution, such as Abigail Adams, Phillis*
15 *Wheatley, Mary Ludwig Hays, and more, whose support helped*
16 *ensure American victory;*

17 *Whereas, It is in the interest of the State to recognize*
18 *Indiana's unique role in the American Revolution by*
19 *undertaking commemorative activities that honor all Hoosiers*
20 *and enhance our collective understanding of the past, present,*
21 *and future; and*

22 *Whereas, We, the members of the Indiana General*
23 *Assembly of the State of Indiana, are committed to supporting*
24 *the work of the Indiana Semiquincentennial Commission and of*
25 *the United States Semiquincentennial Commission and*
26 *participating fully and enthusiastically in the nation's 250th*
27 *anniversary: Therefore,*

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



1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors the
2 250th Anniversary of the founding of the United States of
3 America on July 4, 2026.

4 SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted
5 by the Secretary of the Senate to The Indiana
6 Semiquincentennial Commission.

