

**RESOLUTION No. 2017-11-074R**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ILLINOIS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, August 26, 2018, will mark the 200th anniversary of the adoption of the Illinois Constitution of 1818 at the Kaskaskia Convention; and

**WHEREAS**, December 3, 2018, will mark the 200th anniversary of the admission of Illinois to the Union as a state; and

**WHEREAS**, the bicentennial of our statehood is an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the many cultural, economic, academic and political contributions that Illinois and its residents have made to the nation and the world; and

**WHEREAS**, commemorations and celebrations will enable and encourage Illinoisans of all ages and backgrounds, together with visitors, to experience Illinois' 1,298 cities, villages and towns, thereby stimulating the Illinois economy; and

**WHEREAS**, our community recognizes the importance of the bicentennial celebration as a way to honor the citizens and the history of our great state, and set a course for success over our next 200 years; and

**WHEREAS**, our community, through its various councils, committees and congregations, should work together with the Illinois Bicentennial Commission and the state's citizens, businesses, and cultural and educational institutions to share our vision and projects to mark the 200th anniversary; and

**WHEREAS**, participation in Illinois' bicentennial celebration is a unique opportunity to honor and showcase the state during this historic time.

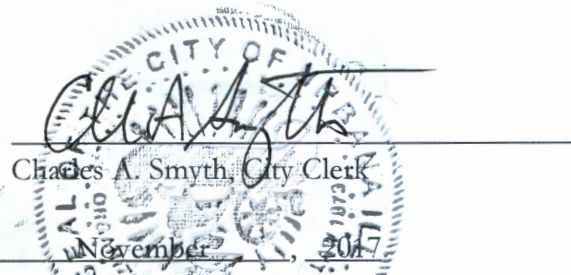
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that City of Urbana endorses the efforts of the Illinois Bicentennial Commission in promoting, planning and executing historic, educational, celebratory and cultural initiatives and further resolves to recognize and celebrate the bicentennial of the state of Illinois.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

AYES: Ammons, Brown, Hazen, Jakobsson, Miller, Roberts, Wu

NAYS:


ABSTENTIONS:

The seal of the City of Alexandria is circular with a scalloped edge. It features a central emblem with a figure and a shield. The text around the seal includes "CITY OF ALEXANDRIA" at the top, "1793" at the bottom, and "INCORPORATED UNDER GENERAL ACT OF 1855" at the bottom. A signature, "Charles A. Smyth", is written across the top of the seal.

Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 21st day of

November, 2017

A handwritten signature in cursive script, "Diane Wolfe Marlin", is written across a horizontal line.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor