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2	Bicentennial of Montgomery County, Indiana.
3	Whereas, On December 21, 1822, the Indiana General
4	Assembly admitted Montgomery County as the State's 44th
5	county and named it after General Richard Montgomery, who
6	fought and died in the Revolutionary War;
7	Whereas, Prior to settlement and until as late as 1832, the
8	area that would become Montgomery County was initially
9	inhabited by Native Americans known as Mound Builders;
10	Whereas, After first being settled by William Offield and his
11	family in 1821, Montgomery County has been home to a
12	number of notable residents to include Henry S. Lane, a
13	founding member of the Republican Party; Lew Wallace, Civil
14	War General and author of the best-selling novel Ben Hur;
15	Mary Holloway Wilhite, the first woman to practice medicine
16	in Indiana and proponent for women's equality during the
17	suffrage movement; Wilbur De Paris, an African American Jazz
18	Musician who toured with Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington,
19	and Ella Fitzgerald; and Joseph P. Allen, a U.S. astronaut who

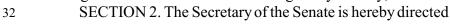
21 Whereas, The City of Crawfordsville, the seat of 22 Montgomery County, is world-renowned for its variety, size, 23 and completeness of crinoid specimens, where a noteworthy 60 24 different species of this fossilized creature have been found 25 since they were discovered along Indian Creek in 1836;

logged a total of 314 hours in space;



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Whereas, Crawfordsville is also home to a strange 1 phenomenon, now called the Crawfordsville Monster, described 2 by many of the city's residents as a pure-white, eighteen-foot-3 long and eight-foot-wide mass with propelling fins and one 4 5 great flaming eye that moved through the air on the night of September 5, 1891; 6 Whereas, Montgomery County is home to several Carnegie 7 8 libraries, including the first Carnegie library in the State of 9 Indiana, which was built in Crawfordsville in 1901, and stands as a local museum; 10 Whereas, Shades State Park, located in the Southwest 11 corner of Montgomery County, was established in 1947 and 12 continues to be a popular hiking and canoeing destination, 13 receiving over 87,000 visitors in 2018-2019; 14 Whereas, Montgomery County is considered the "Cradle of 15 16 Basketball", as it is where the sport was first introduced to Indiana in 1892, the home of the first Indiana High School 17 Athletic Association State Basketball Championship in 1911, 18 and the location for the filming of "Hoosiers" in 1985; 19 20 Whereas, December 21, 2022, will mark the official bicentennial of Montgomery County; 21 Whereas, Throughout 2022, Montgomery County will 22 celebrate its bicentennial through special events, history, and 23 community involvement; and 24 25 Whereas, It is fitting that the Montgomery County Bicentennial be recognized: Therefore, 26 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly* 27 of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives 28 concurring: 29 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly 30 recognizes the Bicentennial of Montgomery County, Indiana. 31



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- 1 to transmit copies of this Resolution to John Frey, President of
- 2 Montgomery County Board of Commissioners, Commissioner
- 3 Jim Fulwider, Commissioner Dan Guard, and County
- 4 Administrator Tom Klein.

