



City of St. Charles

ILLINOIS

# Proclamation

## Illinois Bicentennial Celebration

**WHEREAS,** Sunday, December 3, 2017, mark's Illinois' 199<sup>th</sup> birthday, as Illinois became the 21<sup>st</sup> state in the union on December 3, 1818; and

**WHEREAS** Illinois Bicentennial will be a yearlong celebration between December 3, 2017, and December 3, 2018, which will be our state's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday; and

**WHEREAS,** Illinois Bicentennial will remind us all that, every day in Illinois, amazing things are BORN, BUILT & GROWN; and

**WHEREAS,** Illinois Bicentennial will honor the many ways that Illinois has influenced American history, achievement, culture, innovation, and more; and

**WHEREAS,** Illinois Bicentennial is a once-in-a-lifetime invitation to fall in love with Illinois all over again; and

**WHEREAS,** together, we can inspire pride in Illinois and show the world what makes this state so great; and

**WHEREAS,** our community should encourage citizens, organizations, businesses, congregations, and cultural and education institutions to participate in the yearlong celebration by submitting applications for endorsement of their events and projects by Illinois Bicentennial on the PARTICPATE page at [illinois200.com](http://illinois200.com); and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City of St. Charles endorses the efforts of Illinois Bicentennial and encourages all citizens to participate and celebrate in the upcoming year by visiting [illinois200.com](http://illinois200.com) and using the hashtag #IllinoisProud.

SEAL:



*Raymond P. Rogina*

Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor