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EVERY COUNTY HAS A PART IN OFFICIAL BICENTENNIAL KICK OFF

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 7, 2015 – As the State of Indiana commences festivities this week to celebrate Indiana’s Bicentennial, the Association of Indiana Counties is encouraging all counties to raise the Official Bicentennial Flag at county government centers or courthouses this Friday at noon EST.

“The flag is a symbol of unity as we kick off the Bicentennial year,” said Perry Hammock, Executive Director of the Indiana Bicentennial Commission. “In their hometowns and in their travels, Hoosiers will see the Bicentennial flag waving all across the state during our year-long celebration.”

“The Association of Indiana Counties is proud to play a part in this celebration of Indiana’s past, present and future through the donation of bicentennial flags to all 92 counties,” said David Bottorff, Executive Director of the Association of Indiana Counties (AIC). “The flag project is one of two AIC Legacy Projects endorsed by the Indiana Bicentennial Commission.”

The white flag presents the Indiana 200 Bicentennial logo in the blue and yellow of the Indiana State Flag. Bicentennial flags are available in full size (3’ by 5’) and in miniature (4” by 6”). They can be purchased at the Indianapolis office of the Indiana Historical Bureau and online at the IHB website www.in.gov/history.

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About the Indiana Bicentennial Commission

The Indiana Bicentennial Commission is a fifteen-member body, chaired by Former Lieutenant Governor Becky Skillman and Former U.S. Congressman Lee Hamilton, charged with overseeing the planning and execution of a statewide celebration for Indiana’s 200th birthday. First Lady Karen Pence serves as Official Bicentennial Ambassador. Indiana’s 2016 Bicentennial celebration aims to honor our state’s 200 years of history, and do so in a way that engages all Hoosiers and leaves a lasting legacy for future generations. The commission encourages every community in Indiana to take part in this unique celebration.

Visit www.indiana2016.org to learn more about Indiana’s bicentennial history in the making.

About the Association of Indiana Counties

The Association of Indiana Counties, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that was established in 1957 for the betterment of county government. The various functions of the AIC include lobbying the Indiana General Assembly on behalf of counties, serving as liaison among counties, state and federal agencies as well as providing technical assistance and training to county officials and employees.