



Introduced Version

**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the 250th anniversary of William Clark's birth.

**Pierce, Clere, Saunders, Lehman,
Bartels, Bacon, Hatfield, Sullivan,
McNamara, Lyness, Frye R,
Goodin, Fleming, Engleman, Negele**

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on

20202522

2020

HC 1081/DI 135



**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the 250th
2 anniversary of William Clark's birth.

3 *Whereas, William Clark was born to John and Ann Rogers*
4 *Clark on August 1, 1770, in Caroline County, Virginia;*

5 *Whereas, William Clark lived with his older brother, General*
6 *George Rogers Clark, in Clarksville, Indiana Territory, at the*
7 *Falls of the Ohio, where he joined Captain Meriwether Lewis*
8 *as co-commander of the Corps of Discovery and trained initial*
9 *recruits for the expedition to explore the Louisiana Territory;*

10 *Whereas, The Corps of Discovery continued down the Ohio*
11 *River to the Mississippi River, continued westward along the*
12 *Missouri River, crossed the Rocky Mountains, and then paddled*
13 *dugout canoes on the Clearwater, Snake, and Columbia rivers*
14 *to the Pacific Ocean, exploring parts of the present states of*
15 *Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa,*
16 *South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington,*
17 *and Oregon;*

18 *Whereas, William Clark was respected by the soldiers of the*
19 *Corps of Discovery and the Native Americans they encountered*
20 *on the expedition, kept a detailed journal of the expedition's*
21 *discoveries and observations of the land's geography and*
22 *wildlife, and drew an exceptionally accurate map of the*
23 *expedition's route;*

24 *Whereas, William Clark enjoyed a long and distinguished*
25 *post-expedition career as superintendent of Indian Affairs and*
26 *territorial governor of Missouri, and Clark family connections*



1 *remain prominent in Missouri;*

2 *Whereas, The Indiana Lewis and Clark Expedition*
3 *Commission and the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage*
4 *Foundation played leading roles in preserving the story of the*
5 *Corps of Discovery and publicizing Indiana's role in the*
6 *expedition; and*

7 *Whereas, Indiana is now on the Lewis and Clark National*
8 *Historic Trail as a result of the Eastern Extension to the Trail*
9 *signed into law by President Donald Trump on March 12,*
10 *2019: Therefore,*

11 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
12 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
13 *the Senate concurring:*

14 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly hereby
15 commemorates William Clark's accomplishments and role as
16 co-captain of the Lewis and Clark Expedition on the occasion
17 of his 250th birthday.

18 SECTION 2. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes
19 the Falls of the Ohio, including the state of Indiana, as the
20 starting point of the Lewis and Clark Expedition where Lewis
21 and Clark recruited and trained the first members of the Corps
22 of Discovery and departed from Clarksville, Indiana.

23 SECTION 3. That the General Assembly commends the
24 Indiana Lewis and Clark Expedition Commission and the Lewis
25 and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation for their ongoing efforts to
26 commemorate the expedition and to educate people about this
27 important part of our nation's history.

28 SECTION 4. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
29 Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the
30 Indiana Lewis and Clark Expedition Commission and the Lewis
31 and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation.

