## RESOLUTION NO.56-17

## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ILLINOIS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

**Whereas,** August 26, 2018 will mark the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the adoption of the Illinois Constitution of 1818 at the Kaskaskia Convention; and

Whereas, December 3, 2018 will mark the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the admission of Illinois to the Union as a state; and

Whereas, the bicentennial of our statehood is an opportunity 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, organizations, 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 200<sup>th</sup> 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** President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois 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.

SO RESOLVED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017 at Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois.

**APPROVED** by the President of the Village of Chatham, Illinois this 12th day of December, 2017.

Dave Kimsey, Village President

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
TERRY FOUNTAIN	X			
BRETT GERGER	X			
NINA LINDHORST	X			
RYAN MANN	X			
MATTHEW MAU	X			
PAUL SCHERSCHEL	X			
DAVE KIMSEY				
TOTAL	6			