

## **Resolution 2026-14**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MONTICEELLO IN SUPPORT OF THE ILLINOIS AMERICA250 COMMEMORATION**

WHEREAS, the United States of America will commemorate its 250th anniversary on July 4, 2026, marking a historic milestone in the nation's history; and

WHEREAS, on July 4, 1776, the Second Continental Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence, asserting the American colonies' freedom from British rule and laying the foundation for the principles of democracy and self-governance; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission, known as the America250 Commission ([america250.org](http://america250.org)) was established by Congress in 2016 to plan and orchestrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, aiming to engage all Americans in commemorating this historic event through educational initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois America250 Commission ([IL250.org](http://IL250.org)) was established to develop, encourage and execute an inclusive commemoration and observance of the founding of the United States of America, and Illinois' imperative role in the nation's history; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois America250 Commission encourages communities, libraries, schools, local governments, historical societies, cultural institutions and individuals of all ages to develop inclusive commemorations that reflect on Illinois' role in the nation's history and development; and

WHEREAS, recognizing and supporting the Illinois America250 Commission will help ensure a meaningful and educational commemoration for all residents and future generations; and WHEREAS, the commemoration provides an opportunity to reflect on the state's historical significance, honor the achievements of its people and inspire civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monticello hereby formally supports the Illinois America250 Commission and its mission to commemorate our nation's 250th anniversary.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Monticello expresses its support for the Illinois America250 Commission, and encourages all Illinois communities to organize and participate in local events leading up to and culminating on July 4, 2026, to celebrate America's 250th anniversary.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Monticello, Piatt County, Illinois this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026, by the following roll-call vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

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Robin Throneburg  
City Clerk of the City of Monticello  
Piatt County, Illinois

Approved by the Mayor of the City of Monticello this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026

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Larry Stoner, Mayor of the City of Monticello  
Piatt County, Illinois

ATTEST:

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Robin Throneburg  
City Clerk of the City of Monticello  
Piatt County, Illinois

#### CERTIFICATE

I, Robin Throneburg, City Clerk of the City of Monticello, Piatt County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached "Resolution 2026-14: A Resolution of the City of Monticello in support of the Illinois America250 Commemoration" is a true and correct copy of said resolution duly adopted and enacted by the City Council of Monticello, Illinois at its regular meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026, by the following roll-call vote: ayes: ; nays ; absent ; and that the same was published by publication in pamphlet form on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

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Robin Throneburg  
City Clerk of the City of Monticello  
Piatt County, Illinois