

Town of Independence



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Resolution

TO COMMEMORATE AND SUPPORT THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE AMERICAN WAR OF 1812

The governing body of the Town of Independence, Virginia, in a duly called meeting held on the 8th day of December, 2011, at which a quorum was present, **RESOLVED** as follows:

WHERE AS; the American War of 1812 was fought between the United States and Britain from June 18, 1812, through February 18, 1815, in Virginia and Maryland, along the Canadian Border, along the western frontier, along the Gulf Coast, and through naval engagements in the Great Lakes and the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans; and

WHERE AS; the strategic location of the Chesapeake Bay near the nation's capitol made it a prime target for the British, and the coast of Virginia figured prominently in the Atlantic theatre of operations; and

WHERE AS; there were some 73 armed encounters with the British that took place in Virginia during the war, and Virginians actively fought in Maryland, Virginia, and Ohio and in naval engagements; and

WHERE AS; an estimated 70,000 Virginians served during the American War of 1812; and

WHERE AS; the American War of 1812 helped forge a national identity among the American states and laid the groundwork for a national system of homeland defense and a professional military within the United States; and

WHERE AS; the bicentennial of the American War of 1812 provides an opportunity for all Americans to commemorate the independence for which our forefathers so bravely fought; and

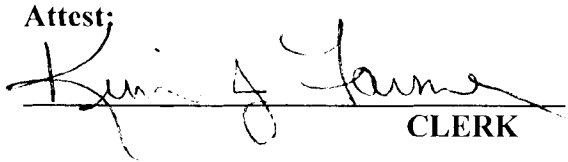
WHERE AS; the 2009 Virginia General Assembly established the Virginia Bicentennial of the American War of 1812 Commission to lead the Commonwealth's commemoration of the bicentennial of Americas Forgotten War, the Second War of Independence, and localities throughout the State have been requested to commemorate the bicentennial locally with appropriate activities and to participate in the several signature events and other numerous programs and activities have been planned for the Commonwealth;

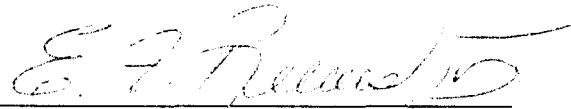
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that the Town of Independence Council commemorates the bicentennial of the American War of 1812 in Virginia and will endeavor to support the commemoration through activities and participation in statewide bicentennial events and programs.

This Resolution is hereby entered into the permanent minutes of the meeting of this Town Council.

Town of Independence, Virginia

Attest;


CLERK

By 
MAYOR