



PROCLAMATION


- WHEREAS: established in 1922, the Vigo County Historical Society was created by local citizens interested in collecting, preserving and presenting to the public, the evolving history and culture of Terre Haute and Vigo County; and
- WHEREAS: after many years without a permanent home, the Society purchased the historic Sage Mansion at 6th & Washington Streets in 1957 and in 1958, the Vigo County Historical Museum officially opened; and
- WHEREAS: the 15,000 square foot Sage Mansion met the needs of the Museum for many years, however, built in 1868, the home had reached its limit in both exhibit and storage capacity; and
- WHEREAS: in December 2012, the Society purchased the Ehrmann Building in downtown Terre Haute for the future home of the Vigo County History Center; and
- WHEREAS: in 2014, design work to renovate the facility was completed and a capital campaign was launched to raise \$3,500,000; after a few years, the community donations and pledges, totaled over \$2,000,000, and renovations began; and
- WHEREAS: the Vigo County History Center held a ribbon cutting in November 2019, showcasing 35,000 square feet of exhibit space, including a community event center, auditorium, gift shop and soda shop.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 22, 2022 as

VIGO COUNTY HISTORY CENTER DAY

and ask residents to join me in celebrating their 100th anniversary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 22nd day of October, 2022.


Duke A Bennett, Mayor

