

## House Resolution 541

By: Representatives Holly of the 111<sup>th</sup>, Knight of the 130<sup>th</sup>, Scott of the 76<sup>th</sup>, Crowe of the 110<sup>th</sup>, Mathiak of the 73<sup>rd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing May 15, 2021, as Henry County Bicentennial Celebration Day; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Henry County was created on May 15, 1821, and signed into law by the  
4 Governor on December 24, 1821; it is named in honor of American patriot Patrick Henry,  
5 an honored delegate of the first and second Continental Congress as well as first and sixth  
6 Governor of the State of Virginia who championed the principles of our nation in his timeless  
7 declaration, "Give me liberty, or give me death!"; and

8 WHEREAS, Henry County is composed of the cities of Hampton, Locust Grove,  
9 Stockbridge, and McDonough, the county seat. The City of McDonough incorporated in  
10 1823; the City of Hampton incorporated in 1873; the City of Locust Grove incorporated in  
11 1893; and the City of Stockbridge incorporated in 1920, as well as the unincorporated  
12 communities of these aforementioned cities; and

13 WHEREAS, Henry County is home to 13 sites listed on the National Register of Historic  
14 Places, including the Smith Griffin House in Hampton, the Historic District in Locust Grove,  
15 the Brown House in McDonough, the Walden-Turner House in Stockbridge, and the Historic  
16 District in McDonough; and

17 WHEREAS, the government of Henry County and its citizens will honor the rich history and  
18 promising future of this great county in a year-long celebration with planned events from the  
19 Henry County Board of Commissioners, Henry County Schools, Henry County Public  
20 Library System, and Henry County Chamber of Commerce, among others; and

21 WHEREAS, Henry County's year-long bicentennial will culminate in a series of community  
22 events in the county seat of McDonough; and

23 WHEREAS, the community of Henry County embarks on this year of honoring and  
24 celebrating the past as well as looking forward to the future with a bicentennial celebration  
25 on May 15, 2021.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body recognize May 15, 2021, as Henry County Bicentennial  
28 Celebration Day.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
31 public and the press.