

## Indiana General Assembly

## PROCLAMATION BY THE INDIANA SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Commemorating the 200th anniversary of the birth of

## President Ulysses S. Grant

WHEREAS, President Ulysses S. Grant was born 200 years ago, in Point Pleasant, Ohio, on April 27, 1822.

WHEREAS, President Ulysses S. Grant served as a General in the United States military during the American Civil War, where he became the principal author of Union victory.

WHEREAS, President Ulysses S. Grant secured, with Indiana's support, the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment, which prohibits racial discrimination with respect to voting rights.

WHEREAS, President Ulysses S. Grant signed into law the creation of the Department of Justice, as well as several Enforcement Acts, including the Civil Rights Act that upheld Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendment rights.

WHEREAS, President Ulysses S. Grant achieved significant benchmarks in peace, including the successful resolution of disputes with Spain and Great Britain that threatened war. With The Treaty of Washington helping to establish the principle of international arbitration as a means for the peaceful resolution of major international disputes.

Now, therefore, be it resolved:

Section 1: That we recognize the Ulysses S. Grant Bicentennial to celebrate the memory of President Ulysses S. Grant, to further education on his life and legacy.

OF REPRESENTATION

Todd M. Huston, Speaker Indiana House of Representatives 122<sup>nd</sup> Indiana General Assembly

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