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Wayne County supports Civil War observance

The Wayne County Commission, in partnership with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, unanimously passed a resolution Thursday acknowledging the commemoration of the Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War.

The Resolution also extended appreciation and support of the many “Remembering the Civil War” events and activities which will take place in Wayne County during the period of observance, 2011-2015.

The Resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Joseph Palamara (D- Grosse Ile), Chairman of the Commission’s Economic Development Committee. “It is important to memorialize the service, and for many the sacrifice, made by almost 10,000 Wayne County citizens who helped preserve the Union,” Commissioner Palamara indicated.

County Executive Ficano and Commissioner Palamara joined in this effort to draw attention to Civil War exhibits, events and lectures that are planned as part of Wayne County’s Sesquicentennial observance.

“Wayne County will be rolling out the welcome mat for visitors from near and far who seek recreational and educational activities associated with our rich Civil War history,” Executive Ficano noted.

Special events like the “Discovering the Civil War” exhibit at The Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn between May 21 and September 5, and the annual “Civil War Days” at the Historic Fort Wayne in Detroit on July 8-10 are two of the planned activities this summer.

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