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Bicentennial Gateway Sculptures to be Dedicated June 7 ***2-Piece Sculptures Pay Homage to the Past and Celebrate the Future***

Lafayette, Ind. – June 2, 2017 – The City of Lafayette invites the public to attend the dedication of the Bicentennial Gateway Sculptures at the foot of the historic Main Street on Wednesday, June 7, at 3:00 p.m. These iconic sculptures form a gateway connecting the Lafayette, West Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, and Purdue communities and highlight the state designated Tippecanoe Arts and Cultural District.

Indiana Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch will be on hand to mark the occasion. A major funding source for the project was a Place Based Investment Fund grant, awarded through a collaborative effort with Indiana's Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

The two sculptures, one in the *(soon to be?)* renovated Chase Plaza and its companion on the corner of 2nd and Main Streets, gracefully reach across Main Street to welcome visitors to the community's newest destination for art, culture, entertainment and gatherings. Nationally recognized artist Jeff Larimore integrated this theme while commemorating Indiana's bicentennial.

Lafayette mayor Tony Roswarski has expressed appreciation for the funding and the generosity of a multitude of donors. "With this newest example of the partnership between government, business, and citizens, we feel very fortunate to be able to offer yet another distinctive focal point in our vibrant downtown. Indiana now has 200 years of history and as we honor our bicentennial, we also look forward to offering gathering spaces for our residents and visitors to create their own histories. This unique showpiece recognizes the importance of the arts in our community and was made possible through the contributions of many who share our vision."

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