

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Independence Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Santa-Cali-Gon Days Festival in Jackson County.

RESOLUTION NO. 21022, August 8, 2022

INTRODUCED BY Charlie Franklin, Theresa Cass Galvin, Jalen Anderson, Crystal Williams, Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Dan Tarwater III, and Jeanie Lauer, County Legislators

WHEREAS, the Santa-Cali-Gon Days Festival was first held in 1940 to celebrate and commemorate the unique heritage of the City of Independence as the starting point of the Santa Fe, Oregon, and California trails; and,

WHEREAS, with the advent of World War II, a second festival was not held until 1947 after the war's conclusion, and the festival did not become an annual event until the 1970s; and,

WHEREAS, the Santa-Cali-Gon Days festival, hosted by the Independence Chamber of Commerce, is celebrating its Golden Anniversary, September 2 – 5, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the Santa-Cali-Gon Days festival is held each Labor Day weekend on the historic Independence Square and is one of the nation's oldest and largest free festivals; and,

WHEREAS, the Santa-Cali-Gon Days festival features concerts, entertainment, vendors of delicious food, handcrafted arts and crafts, and a world-class carnival; and,

WHEREAS, the festival annually provides fundraising opportunities for over fifty non-profit organizations who help make Santa-Cali-Gon Days a unique and attractive annual event; and,

WHEREAS, the Santa-Cali-Gon Days festival draws over 300,000 attendees and brings millions of dollars in economic impact to our community; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby recognizes the 50th Anniversary of the Santa-Cali-Gon Days Festival and the historical, economic, and community impact on the citizens of Jackson County, Missouri; and,

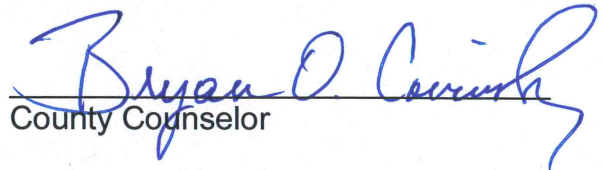
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature hereby extends best wishes to the Independence Chamber of Commerce for the continued success of the Santa-Cali-Gon Days Festival.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Chief Deputy County Counselor



County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21022 of August 8, 2022, was duly passed on August 8, 2022 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

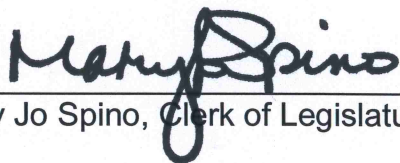
Yeas 6

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 3

August 8, 2022
Date



Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature