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**FROM:** The Tippecanoe County Historical Association

**SUBJECT:** Cancellation of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Feast of the Hunters' Moon Festival October 3-4, 2020

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After meeting with Tippecanoe County community officials on the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic, the Tippecanoe County Historical Association has decided to announce that the 53<sup>rd</sup> annual Feast of the Hunters' Moon festival scheduled for October 3-4, 2020 will be postponed until October 9-10, 2021. The decision was made based upon the difficulty of maintaining social distancing and other recommended CDC guidelines for large events. The safety of the public was the factor considered foremost in the making the decision.

The difficult decision was made understanding how important the Feast is to the community as a positive, engaging historical event and as a significant fund raiser for 50 community organizations such as scout troops, churches, and civic organizations.

The Feast is the main fundraising event for the Tippecanoe County Historical Association and supports all aspects of the operation including curation of the unique and valuable artifacts in the TCHA collection, the broad expanse of community programming to educate about our incredible local history, and preservation efforts to maintain important historical sites such as the Tippecanoe Battlefield Museum, the Fort Ouiatenon Blockhouse, the Arganbright Genealogy Center and Library, and the Ouiatenon Preserve.

TCHA board president Pete Bill states "With support from the community, our loyal membership, sponsors, and Feast participants, we will weather these tough financial times with the goal for the Feast to return in 2021 and for TCHA to remain a strong community resource."

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