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**Birmingham Bicentennial Book Committee Seeks Public Survey Input**  
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**BIRMINGHAM, MI**, September 7, 2017 – A special committee of the Birmingham Museum Board is looking for public input regarding an important event coming **December 1, 2018** - Birmingham's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday. It will be the bicentennial of the first purchase of government land in what is now Birmingham by founder Elijah Willits.

The committee has been exploring various ways the community can celebrate our history together, including sponsoring a publication to coincide with the bicentennial. There are many options that could be of interest, so the committee is seeking community feedback to help guide its recommendations.

The survey takes about five minutes to complete. It will be available in both paper/pencil form and online. Print copies can be filled out at the following destinations around the city: 1) the Birmingham Museum lobby, 2) the Baldwin Public Library Adult Reference Desk, 3) the counter at the City of Birmingham Clerks office, and 4) the Birmingham Shopping District counter at City Hall.

Electronic versions will be available at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SC3QK9Y> or at the museum's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TheBirminghamMuseum/>

To find out more, call the Birmingham Museum at **248-530-1928** or visit us online at [www.bhamgov.org/museum](http://www.bhamgov.org/museum).

*The Birmingham Museum is located at 556 West Maple. Exhibit hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., and until 8:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month. Two hours of free parking is available at the Chester Street Parking Deck; credit card required for entry and exit. For more information, call 248-530-1928 or visit [www.bhamgov.org/museum](http://www.bhamgov.org/museum). Museum admission is \$7 for adults; \$5 for students and seniors. Kids 5 and under and Friends of the Birmingham Museum members are free.*