

The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 24 OF 2017

WHEREAS, on June 4, 1917, the doors of the Rowland Theatre in Philipsburg, Pennsylvania opened to the public for the first time; and

WHEREAS, the theatre was built and owned by a Philipsburg resident, Charles H. Rowland, who was a U.S. Representative, a coal company and railroad president, and a large benefactor to Philipsburg; and

WHEREAS, the theatre today is owned by the Borough of Philipsburg and leased to the non-profit Rowland Theatre Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the theatre is listed on the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the theatre has been an important part of Centre County's history for 100 years, open seven days a week, 364 days a year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize Rowland Theatre for this special anniversary and urge citizens throughout Centre County and beyond to continue to visit and support this historical landmark so that it can reach its next century milestone.

ADOPTED this 1st day of June 2017.



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