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“Thomas Riley Marshall” state historical marker will be dedicated in North Manchester, Indiana

A public dedication ceremony for an Indiana state historical marker is scheduled for August 10, 2007. The state historical marker recognizing Thomas Riley Marshall will be dedicated at the Thomas Riley Marshall House located next to the North Manchester Library, 405 N. Market Street, North Manchester, at 3:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

The text follows for the state marker entitled “Thomas Riley Marshall”:

Born 1854 in North Manchester in this house on Main Street. Was Governor of Indiana 1909-1913. Under his leadership, Indiana General Assembly enacted legislation, called the “Marshall Constitution,” to improve government efficiency by amending the Constitution. Indiana Supreme Court declared the legislation unconstitutional July 5, 1912. He was elected vice president 1912 under Woodrow Wilson. Marshall generally supported Wilson's proposals. He refused to assume powers of presidency after Wilson's stroke in 1919, believing it would be unconstitutional. Marshall was only the third vice president to serve two full terms. He died 1925 and is buried in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.

Everyone is invited to attend this dedication ceremony for the state historical marker commemorating the State of Indiana's twenty-seventh governor and the nation's twenty-eighth vice president.

Historical markers commemorate significant Indiana individuals, places, and events, and they help communities throughout Indiana promote, preserve, and present their history for the education and enjoyment of residents and tourists of all ages. Via the Internet, that history reaches a worldwide audience. For more than 90 years the Indiana Historical Bureau, an agency of the State of Indiana, has been marking Indiana history. Since 1947, the marker format has been the large roadside marker, which has the familiar dark blue background with gold lettering and the outline of the state of Indiana at the top. There are approximately 500 of these markers across the state.

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