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### **Romeoville Raises Flag Celebrating Illinois' 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

Today at noon, Mayor Noak, along with State Senator Bertino-Tarrant, participated in the Illinois Bicentennial Flag Raising Ceremony, which was replicated in municipalities throughout the state. Illinois was admitted to the Union on December 3, 1818, so today's flag raising marks the state's 199<sup>th</sup> birthday and begins the year long run up to the bicentennial.



"Illinois is a state with tremendous beauty, opportunity, and people," said Mayor Noak. "I look forward to the celebratory events planned for 2018."

Photos, video, and event information for the Illinois bicentennial celebration can be found at [illinois200.com](http://illinois200.com).