

To Whom it May Concern:

On March 17, 1825, George Tillson arrived in what is now Tillsonburg, after an arduous 3-day journey from Normandale. He immediately began clearing a road and constructing a cabin approximately where KIA Motors is situated today. Thus was Dereham Furge/Tillsonburg founded.

The Town of Tillsonburg is requesting/hoping that your group, organization or service club will celebrate the 200th anniversary of the founding of Tillsonburg in some way this year. There will be Founder's Day events taking place on Saturday, October 18, 2025, at the Community Centre and Memorial Park. However, the Town would like there to be public awareness of this very special milestone throughout the year. We welcome any initiative which you can put into place to support Tillsonburg's accomplishment of surviving and thriving for 200 years.

Respectfully Yours,

Carrie Lewis

Chair of the Museum, Culture, Heritage and Special Awards Advisory Committee