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Sen. Jason Crowell Recognizes Community's Effort in Establishing New Civil War Museum

JEFFERSON CITY– Sen. Jason Crowell, R-Cape Girardeau, today applauded the work of the Fredericktown community for their efforts to establish the Battle of Fredericktown Civil War Museum. The dedication for the new site was held yesterday (5/4).

"This museum is an educational asset for those in our state wanting to learn more about this famous battle," said Sen. Crowell. "It is also a valuable economic tool that will benefit this community."

The museum is located in a restored 1877 house that is situated on the actual battlefield. Exhibits in the museum describe the battle at Fredericktown and identify local soldiers. These include unique exhibits and digital recordings of the battle.

The museum was made possible through the Department of Economic Development's Neighborhood Assistance Program. The program works by completing projects through a partnership of state resources, not-for-profit organizations and generous local businesses. The museum relied on the support of the community by asking businesses to donate. Businesses that donated to the project received tax credits, which can be used to offset their Missouri tax liability. The Battle of Fredericktown Civil War Museum received \$148,848 in tax credits from the program.

"One of the really exciting aspects of this project is that it really was a community effort," said Sen. Crowell. "From the dedicated historians who brought together the information on the battle to the donors who contributed to making the project a reality, this town can be proud of this accomplishment."

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