

Certificate  
No. 408

# The United States of America,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas *Margaret Billups* of *La Porte, County Indiana* has deposited in the *General Land Office* of the *United States*, a certificate of the *Register of the Land Office at La Porte* whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said *Margaret Billups*, according to the provisions of the act of *Congress* of the *24th of April, 1820*, entitled "*An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands*," for the *East half of the North East quarter of section thirty one, in Township thirty five, North of Range five West, in the District of Lands subject to sale at La Porte, Indiana, containing eighty acres,* according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the *General Land Office* by the *Surveyor General*, which said tract has been purchased by the said *Margaret Billups*

**NOW KNOW YE,** That the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,** in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of *Congress*, in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and by these presents do give and grant, unto the said *Margaret Billups* and to her heirs, the said tract above described: To have and to hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging, unto the said *Margaret Billups* and to her heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, *Martin Van Buren*

**PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,** have caused these Letters to be made patent, and the Seal of the *General Land Office* to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hands, at the *City of Washington*, the *thirtieth* day of *March* in the year of our *Lord* one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven and of the *Independence* of the *United States* the *sixty first*.

By the President: *Martin Van Buren*  
*A. Van Buren* Sec'y  
*Saml. D. King* Acting Recorder **Commissioner** of the *General Land Office*. ad interim