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Presumptive  
CERTIFICATE  
No. 12739,

**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

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**To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:**

**WHEREAS** *Joseph Stearns of Porter County, Indiana,*

has deposited in the **GENERAL LAND OFFICE** of the United States, a Certificate of the **REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE** at *Laporte* whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said

*Joseph Stearns,* 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 North East quarter of Section twenty four, in Township thirty five North, of Range Seven West, of the Second principal Meridian, in the District of Lands Subject to sale at Laporte, Indiana, containing one hundred and sixty 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 *Joseph Stearns*

**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 *Joseph Stearns,*

and to his 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

*Joseph Stearns,* and to his heirs and assigns forever.

**In Testimony Whereof, I,** *John Tyler*

**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.

**WITNESSE** under my hand, at the **CITY OF WASHINGTON,** the *twenty* day of *April* in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *forty three* and of the **INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES** the *Sixty seventh*

**BY THE PRESIDENT:** *John Tyler*

By *R. Taylor* Sec'y.

*S. Williams* **RECORDER of the General Land Office.**

