

# Maryland celebrates National Road Bicentennial

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CUMBERLAND, Md. (AP) – The city of Cumberland held a parade Saturday to mark the 200th birthday of the nation's first federally funded interstate highway.

A National Road bicentennial parade was held Saturday. The event included a caravan of antique wagons and vehicles arriving from Vandalia, Ill.

The parade culminated in the groundbreaking for commemorative marker. On Sunday, a time capsule was sealed.

The National Road ran from Cumberland to Vandalia, Ill. along a route largely followed today by U.S. 40.

It connected in Cumberland to the National Pike, leading to Baltimore.

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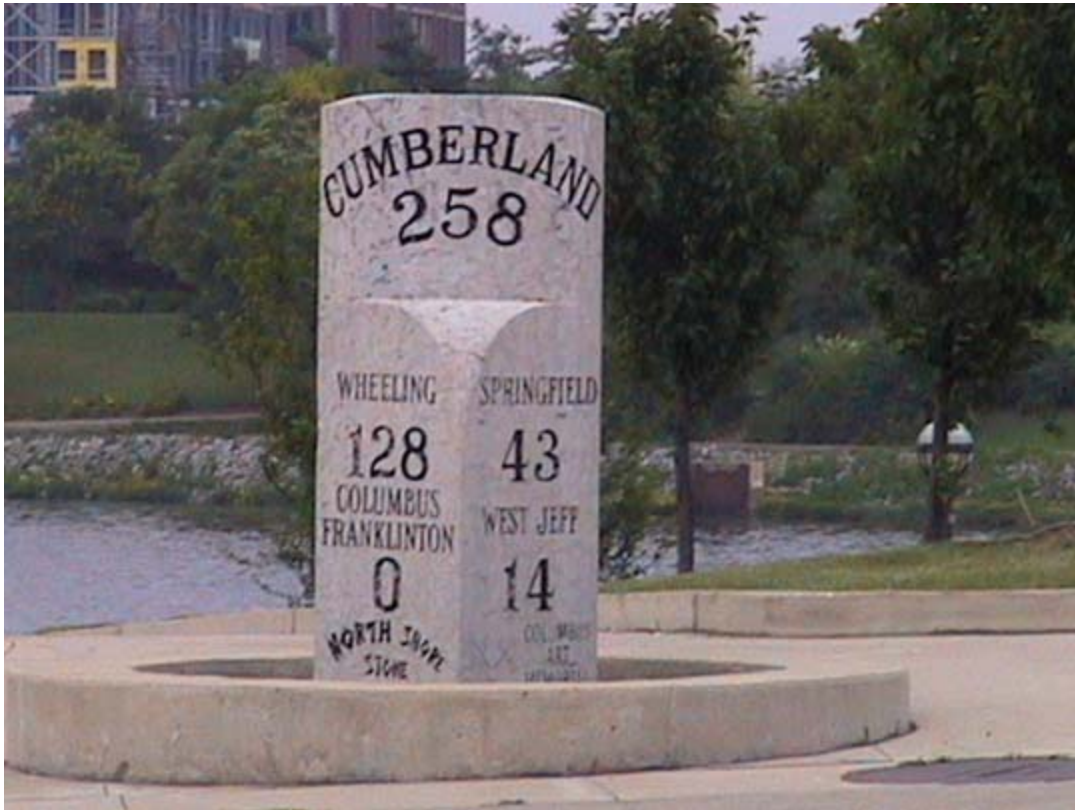


A milestone in Columbus, Ohio, marks the path of the National Road. Image courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.

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