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## Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1992 Erected Date: 1992

#### **Marker Location**

Address: Michigan Ave At Jackson

City: Jackson

*State:* **MI** *ZipCode:* 

County: Jackson

Township: Blackman

Lat: 42.24778300 / Long: -84.40831300

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### Jacksonburg Public Square

On March 30, 1830, a commission appointed to choose Jackson County's seat of government reported: "A territorial road, called the St. Joseph's road, was last winter laid. . . . Where this road crosses the Grand river . . . a flourishing village is commenced." Named Jacksonburg, the village was surveyed and platted that year. Residents proclaimed the town the future site of the new state capital. The plat included a public square at the intersection of Jackson Street and the Territorial Road (present-day Michigan Avenue). By the 1880s the square was a bustling business district comprising the county courthouse, the First Congregational Church and three commercial blocks, including the Blackwell Building, now known as the Old Post Office.

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