## Historical Marker - Fort St. Joseph (Marker ID#:S80)





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## Fort St. Joseph

Built near here in 1686 by the French explorer Duluth, this fort was the second white settlement in lower Michigan. This post guarded the upper end of the vital waterway joining Lake Erie and Lake Huron. Designed to bar English traders from the upper lakes, the fort in 1687 was the mobilization center for a war party of French and Indians. In 1688 it was abandoned, but the site became part of Fort Gratiot in 1814.

Significant Date:

Native People and the French (< 1760)

Registry Year: 1956 Erected Date: 1957

**Marker Location** 

Address: 540 Elmwood Street

City: Port Huron

State: MI ZipCode: 48060

County: Saint Clair

Township:

Lat: 43.00193000 / Long: -82.42758000

Web URL:

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