

HONORING THE LINCOLN TRAIL  
AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

**HON. RON LEWIS**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay public tribute to the Lincoln Trail Area Development District (LTADD), a public agency in my congressional district that promotes regional economic growth by creating partnerships with local, civic and governmental leaders. LTADD will mark their 40th year of service during ceremonies scheduled later this month.

The Lincoln Trail Area Development District was created as a non-profit corporation in March 1968. Four years later, the organization

was designated as a public agency under KRS 147a and assigned a development district that includes the west-central Kentucky counties of Breckinridge, Grayson, Hardin, Larue, Marion, Meade, Nelson and Washington.

Since its formation, LTADD has adhered to a philosophy that conscientious personal attention provided to communities they serve will ensure long and mutually beneficial relationships. Their mission to develop innovative, economical and socially acceptable solutions to difficult community problems remains the trademark of LTADD's success as they begin their fourth decade.

The Lincoln Trail Area Development District includes major population centers, businesses, and tourism destinations including the birthplace and boyhood home of Abraham Lincoln and the Fort Knox Army Installation. The

agency continues to play a significant role in coordinating community transitional needs resulting from the 2005 BRAC-mandated mission realignment at Ft. Knox.

LTADD currently employs a staff of over 40 planners, administrators and support personnel who manage a region that includes more than 243,000 residents and 35 local government bodies.

It is my great privilege to recognize the exceptional board of directors and staff of the Lincoln Trail Area Development District for all that they do to promote the economic vitality of local communities and enhance quality of life for those who live and work within the district. The objectives and collective achievements of this special organization are worthy of our honor and respect.