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## For Immediate Release

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### **Butterflies in Historic Downtown Michigan City**

*A partnership of art, economic development, tourism, and advocacy*

**Michigan City, IN** (June 18, 2007) – Butterflies with five-foot wingspans will soon appear in Historic Downtown Michigan City, between 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Streets on Franklin, Wabash, and Washington Streets during the Summer of 2007. The public is invited to watch their “release.”

On Wednesday night at 7pm at the intersection of 4th and Franklin, Oposo Landscaping, a division of Oposo Industries, with the approval of the Michigan City Redevelopment Commission, will unveil the Franklin Square Butterfly Art exhibit, transforming the area into a delightful Butterfly Garden. The initial butterfly installation will include 11 larger-than-life metal sculptures which capture the beauty of butterflies commonly found in our area.

The distinct butterfly creations of Edward Wedow will be on display where residents and visitors will walk, buy lunch, shop and enjoy the unique architecture and ambiance of the Historic Downtown of Michigan City.

Local businesses and individuals are invited to sponsor a butterfly at one of two sponsorship levels. At the end of the season, the sponsor is entitled to the work, and a portion of the proceeds will go to Dunebrook Child Abuse Prevention Center.

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