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NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER THROWS PRESIDENTS' DAY WEEKEND BIRTHDAY BASH

Philadelphia, PA (January 7, 2005) – Celebrate our nation's presidents at the National Constitution Center on Presidents' Day Weekend, Saturday, February 19 through Monday, February 21. All weekend, visitors are invited to a special birthday party from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.!

On Saturday, savor a slice of FREE birthday cake in honor of the 43 U.S. presidents. Throughout the weekend, kids can sign a giant birthday card to their favorite president, have their photo taken beside a life-sized cut-out of Abraham Lincoln, or substitute their own face for Ulysses S. Grant's on a GIANT fifty dollar bill! A sneak-preview of the designs for the Constitution Center's upcoming exhibit, made possible by a gift from Lincoln Financial Group: *Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War*. The exhibit will be open from June 10 through November 4, 2005.

Also on display during Presidents' Day Weekend is the Johnston and Murphy Presidential Shoe Display! Visitors can take a look at 12 pairs of shoes designed for former Presidents, from Millard Fillmore to Ronald Reagan! Johnston and Murphy shoe company has manufactured shoes for every president since 1850. This free exhibit is on display from Wednesday, February 9 through Wednesday, February 23.

Admission to the National Constitution Center is \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors ages 62 and up, children ages 4-12, and active military personnel. Group rates are also available. For more information, call 215.409.6600 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and its relevance to Americans' daily lives. Opened on July 4, 2003, the museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". For more information, call 215.409.6600 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

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