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**LEARN ABOUT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
DURING VOLUNTEER FAIR
AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER**
With Special Appearance by Philadelphia Phillies' Chase Utley

Philadelphia, PA (January 5, 2006) – Benjamin Franklin once said, “The noblest question in the world is, ‘What good may I do in it?’” At the National Constitution Center Community Volunteer Fair, visitors will discover all the exciting places and wonderful ways they can get involved in their communities. The event will take place on Saturday, January 21 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Philadelphia Phillies’ infielder Chase Utley will make a special appearance at 10:00 a.m. to further encourage guests to take action.

In the spirit of Franklin and the new exhibition *Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World*, guests can discover countless ways in which they can improve the world around them through volunteering. Participants will meet with representatives and gather information from local groups and attractions including the Academy of Natural Sciences, The Franklin Institute, National Constitution Center, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Retired and Senior Volunteer Programs, and many more. They will also receive a complimentary Community Volunteer Directory to help them in their service (while supplies last).

The National Constitution Center is always looking for more volunteers. There are many opportunities available from assisting visitors to working behind the scenes, and volunteering can be done on weekdays and weekends. Interested applicants should be willing to commit to at least one day per week.

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ADD ONE/VOLUNTEER FAIR

Now is the time to join our team! Volunteers at the National Constitution Center have the opportunity to tour the *Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World* exhibition, as well as the rest of the museum, for FREE!

For more information about volunteering at the National Constitution Center, contact the Center's Human Resources Department at 215-409-6761, or volunteer@constitutioncenter.org.

Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World, a blockbuster exhibition celebrating Franklin's 300th birthday, makes its world premiere at the National Constitution Center from December 15, 2005, through April 30, 2006. Created by the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary, this exhibition is being hosted locally by CBS 3. Tickets for the exhibition, which also include regular museum admission, are \$14 for adults; \$12 for children ages 4-12, seniors, and college students; and \$8.50 for groups of 20 or more. For advance tickets, call 215.409.6700 or visit www.gophila.com/ben.

Located at 525 Arch Street on Philadelphia's historic Independence Mall, the National Constitution Center 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, visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

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