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NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER FEATURES ARTIFACTS OF WOMEN IN HISTORY

Philadelphia, PA (March 10, 2005) – Visit the National Constitution Center in March and learn about the influence of women in American history! In observation of Women's History Month, the Constitution Center has highlighted special artifacts throughout its permanent exhibition to draw the attention of visitors to events and time periods related to women in history.

Artifacts related to women's suffrage include an autographed letter from Susan B. Anthony about women's voting rights, and a wood stocking with "Ask Santa to bring a vote for Mother" painted on it. Visitors should make sure to take a look at the display of Supreme Court Judge Sandra Day O'Connor's robe and photo of her swearing-in ceremony!

Visitors can also learn about important women in history by reading about their impact on the Constitution on the American National Tree, including Bella Abzug, a flamboyant feminist member of House of Representatives; Myra Bradwell, a feminist denied the right to practice law; Mary Goddard, printer of the Declaration of Independence; Katharine Graham, *Washington Post* publisher who authorized publication of Pentagon Papers; Candy Lightner, Founder of Mothers Against Drunk Driving; Ellen McCormack, the Right-to-Life candidate in the 1976 Democratic presidential primaries; Patsy Mink, the first Asian-American elected to Congress; and many more!

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.

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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". Also, serving as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional debate, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues.

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