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NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER ELECTS NEW MEMBERS TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Philadelphia, PA (October 9, 2008) – The National Constitution Center has elected **Douglas DeVos, Peter Huizenga, Lewis Katz, Susan Kim, Marc Platt,** and **Anthony Zinni** to its Board of Trustees, which will be led by Chairman George H.W. Bush until December 31, 2008, and led by President William J. Clinton beginning in January.

“We are honored to add such distinguished members to our Board of Trustees and look forward to their insight and contributions,” said National Constitution Center President and CEO Joseph M. Torsella.

Douglas DeVos is past chairman of the board of directors for the U.S. Direct Selling Association, a national organization that supports communication, consumer protection, and direct selling ethics in the marketplace. He is also chairman of the World Federation Direct Selling Association (WFDSA) Advocacy Committee, and serves on the WFDSA CEO Council. In his hometown of Grand Rapids, MI, DeVos serves on the boards of the Gerald R. Ford Foundation, The Right Place Program, and Keystone Community Church. He received his B.A. in business management from Purdue University.

Peter Huizenga is Chief Executive Officer of Huizenga Capital Management, an investment firm in Oak Brook, IL. Huizenga, an attorney, provides counsel to the firm of Hlustik, Huizenga, Williams & Vander Woude, Ltd. in downtown Chicago, which specializes in the areas of commercial and tax law. Along with his cousin, Wayne, Huizenga founded Waste Management, Inc. and Blockbuster, Inc. He received his B.A. from Hope College and his J.D. from the University of Illinois College of Law.

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Lewis Katz graduated from Temple University. He served as an apprentice to Washington columnist Drew Pearson, and continued working with him while he began preparing for a career as a lawyer, attending Dickinson Law School and clerking for the chief justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. In 1972, Katz was elected as a Democrat to the Camden County council and served two terms in office. He later headed fundraising efforts for Jim Florio's successful campaign for governor in 1989, after which he became finance chairman of the state Democratic Party. In 1998, Katz became a principal shareholder and managing partner in a group of investors who bought the New Jersey Nets basketball franchise. The partnership later merged with the New York Yankees to form YankeeNets and, in 2000, added the NHL's New Jersey Devils to the affiliation.

Susan Kim has spent her career rising through the ranks in the Electronics Boutique company founded by her father. Starting as a manager in 1985, she became a director in 1998 and continued in that position until 2005, when the company was purchased by Barnes & Noble and merged with its GameStop stores. Kim currently serves on the Council of Emeritus Directors of the Philadelphia Orchestra and is the secretary for the James and Agnes Kim Foundation. She graduated from Temple University.

Marc Platt has served as president of production at both Orion Pictures and Universal Pictures, and served as the president of TriStar Pictures for five years. A native of Baltimore, MD, Platt received his B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania and his J.D. from the New York University School of Law. While pursuing his J.D., Platt was a member of the NYU Law Review. He currently heads his own production company, Marc Platt Productions.

General Anthony Zinni is a former commander of United States Central. His career reflects more than 40 years of military and diplomatic service, including two tours in Vietnam, and deployments to the Mediterranean, Caribbean, the Western Pacific, Northern Europe, Korea, Okinawa, and Germany. Zinni holds academic positions at several colleges, including UCLA, the Virginia Military Institute, and his alma mater Villanova University. He has also received honorary doctorate degrees from The College of William and Mary and the Maine Maritime Academy. Currently Distinguished Military Fellow at the Center for Defense Information in

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Washington D.C., Zinni is also a member of several organizations, including the Council on Foreign Relations, Reves Center for International Studies at the College of William and Mary, and the Board of Regents at the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies. He co-authored the book *Battle Ready* about his career with Tom Clancy.

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 the ideas and values it represents. The Center serves as a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. 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". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education. Also, as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional discourse, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

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