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NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER ANNOUNCES EXTENSION OF ALEXANDER HAMILTON EXHIBIT THROUGH DECEMBER 2019

Philadelphia, PA (September 10, 2018) – The National Constitution Center announced today that it will extend *Hamilton: The Constitutional Clashes That Shaped a Nation*, its feature exhibit about Alexander Hamilton and his legendary rivals, for an additional year, remaining open to visitors through December 31, 2019.

“With the musical coming to Philadelphia next year, 2019 will be a thrilling time for Hamilton fans across the region” said Jeffrey Rosen, president and CEO of the National Constitution Center. “We have welcomed over 90,000 visitors to our Hamilton exhibit since March 2018 and are looking forward to offering more visitors the opportunity to explore the constitutional debates between Hamilton and his rivals — Madison, Jefferson, Adams, and Burr — which continue to shape America today.”

Original artifacts and rare documents that will remain on display include:

- Hamilton’s portable writing desk from the late 1700s (Burke Library at Hamilton College) through Memorial Day Weekend 2019
- Exact replicas of the original Hamilton-Burr dueling pistols, ca. 1776 (JPMorgan Chase Corporate History Collection)
- A 1788 first edition copy of *The Federalist*, a work that remains one of Hamilton’s greatest legacies (National Constitution Center Collection)
- Draft of “An American No. 1” in which Hamilton launched a full-scale attack against Jefferson, 1792 (Connecticut Historical Society)
- John Adams’s draft reply to Hamilton’s anti-Adams pamphlet, 1801 (Massachusetts Historical Society)
- Letter from Alexander Hamilton to Oliver Wolcott, Jr., preferring Jefferson over Burr for the tied presidential election of 1800 (Connecticut Historical Society)

The National Constitution Center will continue to explore Alexander Hamilton and the competing ideas that shaped the nation’s founding through complementary *America’s Town Hall* programming. On November 15, 2018, the Center will host a conversation on what Hamilton has to teach us about the Constitution and the law. Judge Ketanji Jackson of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, Berkeley Law Dean Erwin Chemerinsky, Harvard Professor Rebecca Tushnet, and attorney Vanessa Nadal will participate. Previous Town Hall programs on Alexander Hamilton included a discussion with historian Carol Berkin and Hamilton biographers Jay Cost and Tony Williams in spring 2018.

Hamilton: The Constitutional Clashes That Shaped a Nation, extended beyond its original closing date of December 31, 2018, explores Hamilton’s fraught relationships with James Madison, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Aaron Burr. Examining the personalities and constitutional debates that

shaped America — including the scope of the national government, the establishment of a standing army, the creation of a federal banking system, and more — the exhibit provides an intimate look into Alexander Hamilton’s enduring role in the constitutional and political arguments that continue to create sparks to this day.

Visitors can also “meet” Alexander Hamilton and James Madison in the National Constitution Center’s iconic *Signers’ Hall*, featuring life-size bronze statues of the Founding Fathers, and learn more about their roles in the Constitutional Convention. Through March 2019, the National Constitution Center will continue to offer free daily museum programs in conjunction with the Hamilton exhibit, including story stations, interactive shows, and trivia for visitors of all ages.

The National Constitution Center is located at 525 Arch Street on Philadelphia’s Independence Mall. The Center is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

Ticket Information

Hamilton: The Constitutional Clashes That Shaped a Nation, through December 31, 2019

Included with general admission: Adults \$14.50; Youth (6-18) \$11; Students w/ID and Seniors \$13. Members, active military personnel, and children ages 5 and under are free.

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About the National Constitution Center

The [National Constitution Center](http://www.constitutioncenter.org) in Philadelphia inspires citizenship as the only place where people across America and around the world can come together to learn about, debate, and celebrate the greatest vision of human freedom in history, the U.S. Constitution. A private, nonprofit organization, the Center serves as America’s leading platform for constitutional education and debate, fulfilling its Congressional charter “to disseminate information about the U.S. Constitution on a nonpartisan basis.” As the **Museum of We the People**, the Center brings the Constitution to life for visitors of all ages through interactive programs and exhibits. As **America’s Town Hall**, the Center brings the leading conservative and liberal thought leaders together to debate the Constitution on all media platforms. As a center for **Civic Education**, the Center delivers the best educational programs and online resources that inspire, excite, and engage citizens about the U.S. Constitution. For more information, call 215-409-6700 or visit constitutioncenter.org.