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The Sixth Floor Museum, George W. Bush Presidential Library Partner for Special Bill of Rights Exhibit

Amending America: The Bill of Rights on display at The Sixth Floor Museum, January 24 – March 16, 2017

DALLAS, TX – January 12, 2017 – The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza and the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum are pleased to open a new special exhibition from the National Archives, *Amending America: The Bill of Rights*, which explores the origins of the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution and how each protects U.S. citizens. The exhibit, on display at The Sixth Floor Museum beginning January 24, 2017, commemorates the 225th anniversary of the ratification of this landmark document.

"In this volatile time in our country, it is particularly timely to take a closer look at the privileges and protections outlined in this key historic document," said Nicola Longford, executive director of The Sixth Floor Museum. "We are especially excited to work with our partners at the George W. Bush Presidential Library to bring this exhibit to Dallas."

The exhibit uses facsimile documents, reproduction artifacts and interactives to connect visitors with the people, places and events that mark the evolution of the Bill of Rights. Highlights include records showing how each of the first 10 amendments affect Americans and interactives that invite visitors to vote for the next amendment and guess at how many times others were proposed.

"Since the founding of America, the Bill of Rights has protected basic human rights and liberties," said Emily Robison, acting director of the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum. "This incredible document truly makes the United States a unique and special place to live. The *Amending America* exhibit is a great reminder for each of us not to take our freedoms for granted."

An educator workshop and public programs will complement the exhibition, including a celebration of The Sixth Floor Museum's 28th anniversary as part of a special Presidents Day program with constitutional law expert, Professor Lackland H. Bloom, Jr. of Southern Methodist University on February 20.

Amending America: The Bill of Rights is organized by the National Archives and Records Administration, and traveled by the National Archives Traveling Exhibits Service (NATES). This exhibition was developed in collaboration with the National Archives' National Outreach Initiative to commemorate the 225th Anniversary of the Bill of Rights. The national tour is presented in part by AT&T, HISTORY®, Seedlings Foundation and the National Archives Foundation. Local presentation of this exhibition has been made possible in partnership with the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum and the National Archives Foundation.

Exhibition: *Amending America: The Bill of Rights*

Presented by: The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza and the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum

Runs: January 24 – March 16, 2017

Exhibit Hashtag: #AmendingAmerica

Museum Hours: Monday, 12 p.m. – 6 p.m.; Tuesday – Sunday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Location: The Sixth Floor Museum, 411 Elm Street, Dallas, TX 75202

Admission: $16 Adult, $14 Senior, $13 Youth (children aged 5 and under are free). The *Amending America: The Bill of Rights* exhibit is included with Museum admission.

Contact: 214.747.6660 or go to jfk.org

About The Sixth Floor Museum

The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza chronicles the assassination and legacy of President John F. Kennedy; interprets the Dealey Plaza National Historic Landmark District and the John F. Kennedy Memorial Plaza; and presents contemporary culture within the context of presidential history. Located at 411 Elm Street in downtown Dallas, the Museum is open Monday 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Tuesday – Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Audio guides for the permanent exhibit are included with admission and available in a variety of languages, as well as ASL. For more information, visit www.jfk.org or call 214.747.6660. Follow the Museum on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube, and @sixthflrmuseum on Twitter.

About the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum

Located on the campus of Southern Methodist University in Dallas, the Bush Center was dedicated on April 25, 2013. The complex, which features a 15-acre park complete with native Texas wildflowers, plants, and an amphitheater, is home to the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum, the 13th presidential library operated by the National Archives and Records Administration; the George W. Bush Institute, the non-partisan, public-policy arm of the Bush Center; Café 43, a full-service restaurant; and a museum store. For more information, visit www.bush43library.org or call 214-346-1650.

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