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LIVE WEBCAST AS MIKHAIL GORBACHEV RECEIVES NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER'S 2008 LIBERTY MEDAL IN HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA

AWARD TO BE PRESENTED BY PRESIDENT GEORGE H.W. BUSH

Philadelphia, PA (September 5, 2008) – The National Constitution Center, in partnership with CBS 3 and the Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Corporation, will webcast the 2008 Liberty Medal ceremony live on www.constitutioncenter.org, making the event available to a worldwide audience. The Center's 2008 Liberty Medal will be awarded to former Soviet leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner Mikhail Gorbachev for his courageous role in ending the dangerous, decades-long Cold War and in giving hope and freedom to millions who lived behind the Iron Curtain. The public Liberty Medal ceremony will take place on Thursday, September 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at the National Constitution Center in Historic Philadelphia, and will set the stage for international commemoration of the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall in 2009.

"We are very pleased to provide global access to the Liberty Medal ceremony for the second year in a row," says National Constitution Center President and CEO Joseph M. Torsella. "Nearly two decades ago, President Gorbachev's vision, strength, and leadership led to the end of the Cold War and opened his society to freedom, which has had profound and lasting consequences around the world."

"CBS 3 is proud to broadcast the Liberty Medal ceremony live at 7 p.m. and again on CW 57 at 10 p.m. to give local viewers every opportunity to experience this historic moment. We know this will be of special interest to Philadelphia's large Russian community, many of whom lived in the USSR under Gorbachev," says CBS 3 and CW Philly President and General Manager Michael Colleran.

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Following the live webcast at 7:00 p.m., the ceremony will be available for viewing at 9:00 p.m. at www.cbs3.com/ncc, where the webcast will then be archived.

Established in 1988 by We the People 200 to commemorate the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution, the Liberty Medal annually honors men and women of courage and conviction who strive to secure the blessings of liberty to people across the world. Since 2006, the National Constitution Center has administered the Liberty Medal, which includes the annual presentation of the award and a host of supplemental programs and activities designed to extend the Medal's reach throughout the year.

Ira Lubert and Independence Capital Partners will co-sponsor the 2008 Liberty Medal Award. The Liberty Medal is also generously supported by the Dorrance H. Hamilton Charitable Lead Trust. Citizens Bank is the presenting sponsor for the President's Reception prior to the Liberty Medal ceremony.

The Liberty Medal is also supported by the City of Philadelphia and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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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. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.