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RON CHERNOW EXPLORES THE LIFE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

Philadelphia, PA (September 27, 2010) – Celebrated biographer **Ron Chernow** will join the National Constitution Center on Monday, October 18, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. for a conversation about his new book, *Washington: A Life*. This painstakingly researched biography of our nation's foremost Founding Father provides readers with a greater understanding of George Washington's life and times. With access to previously unseen archival sources, Chernow has developed a richly nuanced portrait of Washington, from his early years as a young firebrand to his later years as America's first president. Admission is FREE, but reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700 or at www.constitutioncenter.org.

Ron Chernow is the prize-winning biographer of political and financial luminaries such as Alexander Hamilton, John D. Rockefeller, and J.P. Morgan. His first book, *The House of Morgan*, won the National Book Award in 1990. Since then, he has been lauded with the Eccles Prize for Economic Writing for *The Warburgs* and the National Book Critics Award for *Alexander Hamilton*. His biography of John D. Rockefeller was nominated for the National Book Critics Award. Chernow has been a regular contributor for the *Wall Street Journal* and *New York Times*, and served as the President of the PEN Center from 2006-07.

A book sale and signing will follow the program, courtesy of Joseph Fox Bookshop.

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