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THE CALIFORNIA MUSEUM PRESENTS *WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE: THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL EXHIBITION*

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS EXHIBIT HIGHLIGHTS PRESIDENTIAL LEGACY PRESS PREVIEW AND MEMBERS-ONLY RECEPTION OPEN TO PRESS

(Sacramento, CA) – The California Museum will open the doors to the critically acclaimed Library of Congress *With Malice Toward None: The Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibition* a day early to press and Museum members on Tuesday, June 23rd. Press will get an in-depth preview of the exhibition at The California Museum, which is the first of five stops outside of Washington, DC. The exhibition features nearly 200 artifacts ranging from the Inaugural Bible, which President Obama used for his own oath of office, to the contents of Lincoln's pockets the night he was assassinated.

First Lady Maria Shriver will give remarks at the members-only preview reception in the evening. Special guests include California Hall of Fame inductees and national, state and locally elected officials. The evening reception is open to social press only. We ask that press wanting to attend RSVP to Ashley Robinson at arobinson@sos.ca.gov or (916) 651-3030 to receive their press pass.

Spokespersons for The California Museum and the Library of Congress are available for media opportunities, in person or by phone. For other media availability inquiries, contact Ashley Robinson, (916) 651-3030.

WHAT: The California Museum Executive Director Claudia French will give opening remarks. Deputy Director Amanda Meeker will lead members of the press on a tour of the exhibition, highlighting the Library of Congress' unparalleled Lincoln materials, featuring original photographs, personal artifacts and documents written in Lincoln's own hand. Representatives of the Museum and Library of Congress will be available for interviews.

WHEN: Tuesday, June 23rd, 2009
10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

WHERE: Second floor gallery, The California Museum
1020 O Street, downtown Sacramento, California.

About The California Museum

The California Museum -- home of the California Hall of Fame and California Legacy Trails -- is a cultural destination dedicated to telling the rich history of California and its unique influence on the world of ideas, innovation, art and culture. We advance our mission to inspire through educating school children through dynamic exhibits and educational programs, as well as serving as a public forum and international meeting place. The California Museum is located at 1020 O Street, (Corner of 10th Street), downtown Sacramento. For more information 916.653.7524; info@californiamuseum.org; CaliforniaMuseum.org.