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***** MEDIA ADVISORY *****

Free admission to view 1849 California Constitution during "Constitution Day" at the California Museum on Monday, Sept. 16, 2019

Members of the public invited to enjoy free admission to view original historic documents from the California State Archives and all current exhibits from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to commemorate federal holiday honoring the 1787 signing of the U.S. Constitution

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. – SEPT. 11, 2019: Members of the public are invited to view California's original 1849 constitution and all current exhibits for free during "Constitution Day" at the California Museum from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, 2019. Presented in partnership with California Secretary of State Alex Padilla and the California State Archives, this one-day event commemorates Constitution Day, an annual federal holiday celebrating the U.S. Constitution's 1787 signing. To expedite entry, advance ticket registration is recommended at <https://CAConstitutionDay.Eventbrite.com>.

- WHO:** California Museum, California State Archives and California Secretary of State Alex Padilla
- WHAT:** Free admission to view California's original 1849 Constitution and all current exhibits, a savings of up to \$9 on the cost of general admission
- WHERE:** 1020 O Street (corner of 10th and O Streets), Sacramento
- WHEN:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, 2019
- WHY:** Free admission to view the original 1849 California Constitution and all current exhibits will be offered in observance of Constitution Day, a federal holiday honoring the 1787 signing of the U.S. Constitution that recognizes all who are born in the U.S. or have become U.S. citizens through naturalization.

On loan from the California State Archives, California's original 1849 Constitution is rarely on public display due to preservation concerns and is normally stored in a high-security vault. Handwritten on parchment paper and published in both English and Spanish, the document was adopted at the California Constitutional Convention October 10, 1849 and ratified November 13, 1849. California was admitted as the 31st state in the Union September 9, 1850.

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MEDIA: Media are invited to apply for credentials to cover the public viewing by 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, 2019, via email to sos.press@sos.ca.gov.

Due to egress issues associated with cabling and limited news truck parking, segments must be taped. For more information or assistance, contact Sam Mahood at (916) 653-6575 or sos.press@sos.ca.gov.

ABOUT CALIFORNIA MUSEUM:

The California Museum educates visitors on California's diverse history, arts, culture and unique influence on the world. Through interactive exhibits and engaging programs, the Museum inspires visitors to make their mark on history. Open Tuesday - Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 12-5 p.m. Admission: \$7-9. Learn more at <https://www.californiamuseum.org>.

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