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Chevy Chase Bank Sponsors *Running for Office* Film Series at the National Archives

Washington, D.C....The Foundation for the National Archives is pleased to announce that Chevy Chase Bank for the second year will sponsor a free film series at the National Archives. With a \$25,000 grant, the Bank is underwriting the *Running for Office* film series presented in conjunction with the National Archives exhibition *Running for Office: Candidates, Campaigns, and the Cartoons of Clifford Berryman.*

The *Running for Office* film series treats visitors to a slate of feature films from 1939 to 1972 that present the drama of the American election process. The National Archives will host screenings of such timeless classics as "All the King's Men" (1949), "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" (1939), and the 1972 "The Candidate," as well as many others on one weekend a month through August 2008. The film screenings take place in the Archives' William G. McGowan Theater, a state-of-the-art film venue with a capacity of nearly 300 seats. Check <u>http://www.archives.gov/calendar/</u> for details.

With this funding, Chevy Chase Bank continues a history support for the National Archives, beginning with a gift of \$250,000, to help build and sustain the *National Archives Experience*, the initiative that has transformed the visitor experience at the National Archives' Washington, DC building.

"We are proud to be a sponsor of a public program connected to the highly popular, entertaining, and enlightening new National Archives exhibition *Running for Office*. The feature films of the *Running for Office* series present a unique historic perspective—a Hollywood perspective—of the American political campaign and election process," said Chevy Chase Bank Chairman B. Francis Saul II. "There is no better time to see these films than now, when the Presidential campaigns are in full swing. We hope the visitors to the National Archives' McGowan Theater enjoy them."

Archivist of the United States Allen Weinstein said, "The National Archives is fortunate, indeed, to receive support for public programs presented in conjunction with the exhibition *Running for Office*. We thank Chevy Chase Bank for helping to enhance the visitor experience at our Washington, D.C. building."

"Chevy Chase Bank has again confirmed their commitment to their partnership with the Foundation for the National Archives, and we are deeply grateful to them for their support," said Tom Wheeler President of the Foundation for the National Archives. "Thousands of visitors have already discovered the timeless cartoons of Clifford Berryman through the new exhibition, and we think they will find that the films, like the cartoons, are as relevant today as they were in the early 20th century."

About the Foundation for the National Archives

Created in 1992, the Foundation for the National Archives is an independent nonprofit organization committed to increasing public awareness and appreciation of the National Archives as an essential resource in the American democracy. The Foundation serves as the private-sector partner of the National Archives in the creation of the *National Archives Experience*, a national civic literacy initiative which includes permanent exhibits, educational programs, traveling exhibits, special events and screenings, educational literature, and historical/records-related products and media. The Foundation supports these activities by generating financial and creative support from individuals, foundations and corporations who share a belief in the importance of innovative civics education.

About the National Archives and Records Administration

The National Archives and Records Administration is the Federal agency that serves American democracy by safeguarding and preserving the records of our government, ensuring that the people can discover, use, and learn from this documentary heritage. It supports democracy, promotes civic education, and facilitates historical understanding of our national experience. Every subject relating to American history is covered in the nine billion records, the millions of photographs, maps and electronic records and the thousands of motion pictures and audio recordings that are available to the public at the National Archives nationwide. The National Archives maintains 20 regional records facilities and 12 Presidential libraries nationwide, as well as the Office of the Federal Register, the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), and the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO).

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