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Bill of Rights and You Exhibit at the Fresno County Public Library

On December 12, 2016, the Fresno County Public Library (FCPL) will host a new popup exhibition from the National Archives, *The Bill of Rights and You*, commemorating the 225th anniversary of the ratification of this landmark document. *The Bill of Rights and You* spotlights one of the most remarkable periods in American history, explores the origins of the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution (collectively known as the Bill of Rights), illustrates how each amendment protects U.S. citizens, and looks at how Americans exercise the rights outlined in the amendments. The *Bill of Rights and You* invites visitors to connect directly with the people, places, and events that mark this historic document's evolution. This exhibit runs through February 28, 2017.

There are only 2,000 of these exhibits across all 50 states. Fresno County Public Library was chosen from among many applicants as a host site. The exhibit will be on display at the Central Library, Sunnyside Regional Library and Woodward Park Regional Library.

"The Bill of Rights is such an important part of American history, and to be able to display this exhibit that chronicles the monumental impact it had on American history is definitely and honor for the Library," states County Librarian, Laurel Prysiazny.

For more information about the *Bill of Rights and You* exhibit, Library programs, services, and specific branch hours, please go to <u>www.fresnolibrary.org</u> or call the Library at (559) 600 – READ (7323).

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