

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: July 15, 2015

SUBJECT: Charters of Freedom Monument

PRESENTER: Steve Wyatt

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. PowerPoint

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

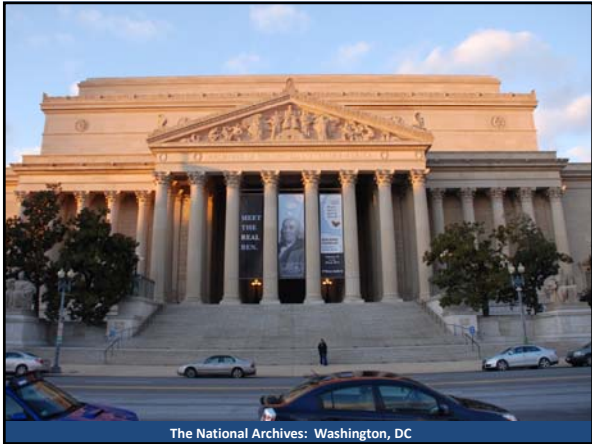
Foundation Forward is an education project building “Your Charters of Freedom” monuments that display The Declaration of Independence, The Constitution, and The Bill of Rights. Mr. Vance Patterson, with Foundation Forward Inc., will give a presentation on the process required to build the monuments.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to consider the information presented, and determine their level of interest.

Suggested Motion(s):

No motion suggested.



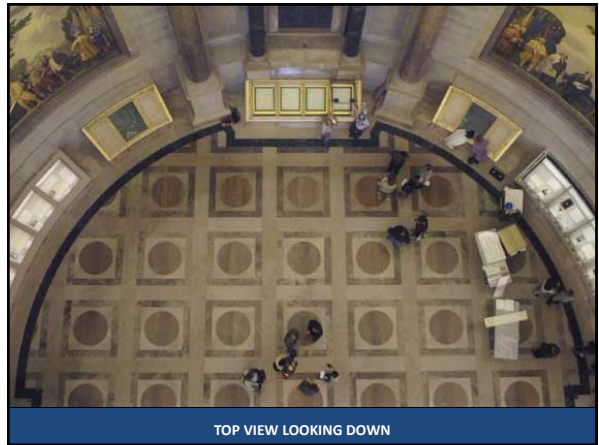
The National Archives: Washington, DC



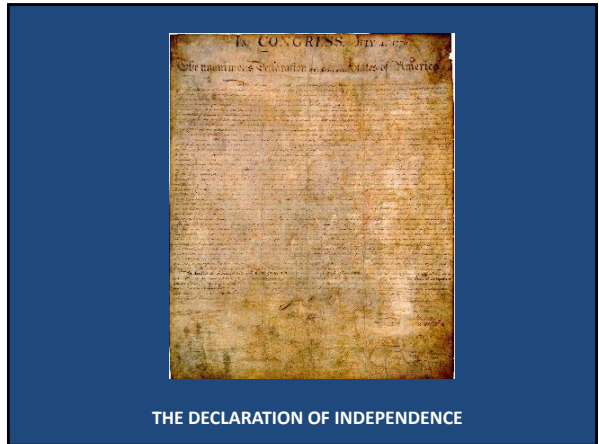
The Rotunda of The Charters of Freedom



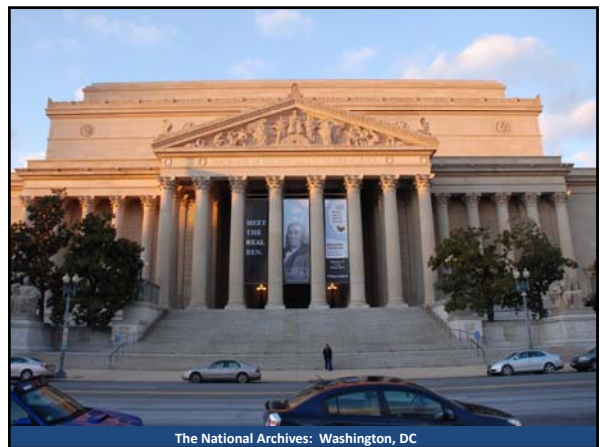
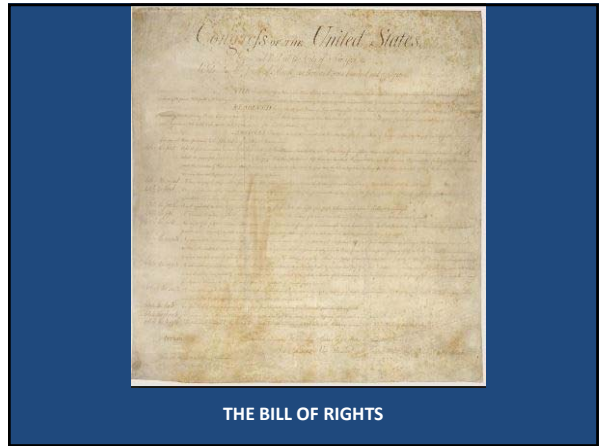
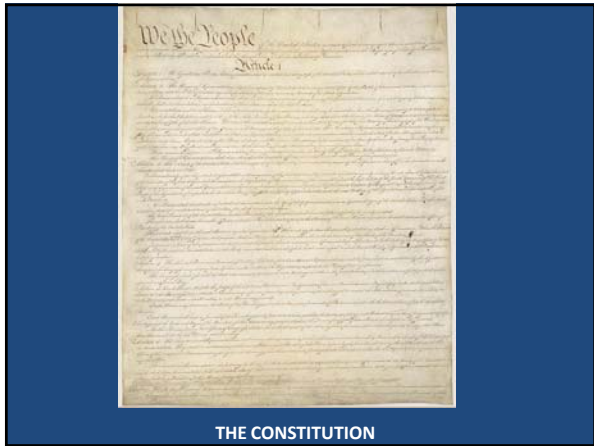
The Declaration of Independence – The United States Constitution – The Bill of Rights




TOP VIEW LOOKING DOWN

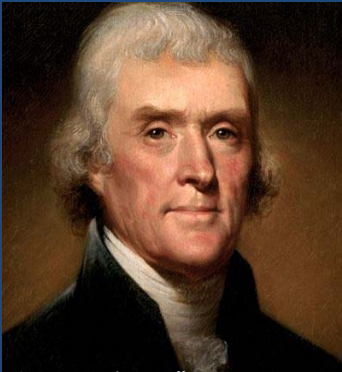


THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE



Benjamin Franklin
 Founding Father of the United States
 Author, Musician, Printer, Political Theorist, Politician, Postmaster, Scientist, Inventor, Sage
 January 17, 1706 - April 17, 1790,



Thomas Jefferson
 3rd U.S. President
 Author of the Declaration of Independence, President of the United States, Farmer, Inventor, Small
 Businessman - Manufacturer

**BEN FRANKLIN AND THOMAS JEFFERSON
 IDEAS FOR EDUCATION**

PRIMARY LEVEL: Teach our youth how to function in life.

- Reading
- Writing
- Math

SECONDARY LEVEL: Teach our youth how to survive in the world.

- Accounting
- Living Languages
- Geography
- History - Civics and Government
- Trades

THIRD LEVEL: Advanced education.

- Science
- Arts
- Professions
- Culture of Virtue



Civics and Government





AN EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

SCOPE OF PROJECT

Design and build replicas of the Charters of Freedom monument as exhibited in the National Archives Rotunda, Washington, D.C.

These monuments will be in communities across the country with prominent locations, high visibility, high foot traffic, and easy access for school children.

There will be three documents displayed;
The Declaration of Independence on the left.
Four pages of The Constitution in the center.
The Bill of Rights on the right.



The Foundation: Reinforced, poured concrete.

The Structure: Reinforced, poured concrete covered by granite panels.

The panels will be 4" thick; rubbed and brushed.

The center panel will have the Charters of Freedom Seal on Polished Mesabi Black Granite



The center display will measure 12' x 4' x 3' 6" x 4'



Raised plaque for "rubbings."



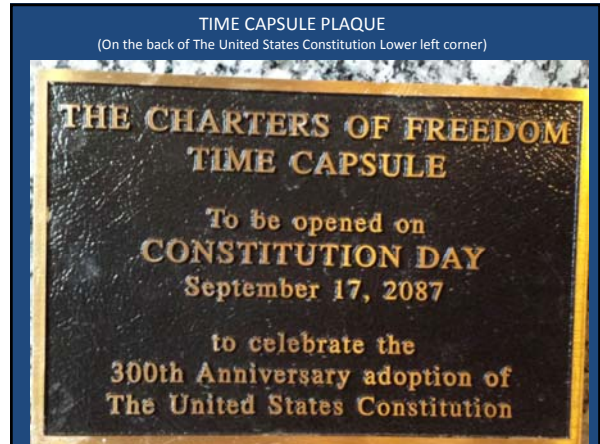
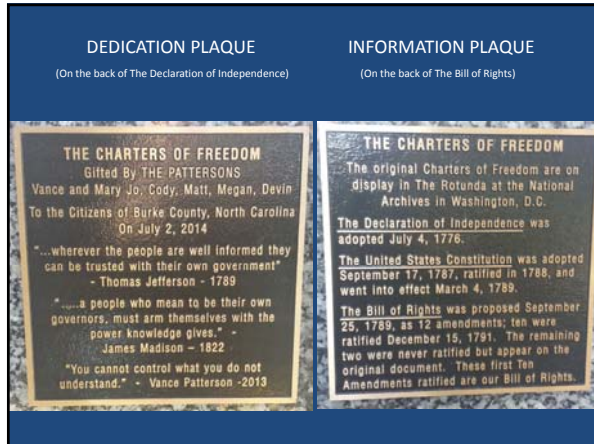
Back side of the center monument will be a vault with a time capsule sealed inside.



The side displays will measure 4'x4'x 3'6"x4'



Each of the six documents will be original size on .25" etched bronze, weighing over 60 lbs., and mounted 3" under a 3/4" sheet of laminated viewing glass.





BEFORE
Burke County Courthouse, Morganton, North Carolina



July, 2014
Burke County Courthouse, Morganton, North Carolina



United States Constitution
The Declaration of Independence The Bill of Rights

**CHEROKEE COUNTY
MURPHY, NORTH CAROLINA**



