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Museum of American Finance to Display Collection Highlights at International Money Exposition (IMEX) in October

IMEX will run from October 27-28 at the Music City Center in Nashville, TN

The Museum of American Finance, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution based in New York, has been invited to display some of the most important documents from its world-class collection at the first annual International Money Exposition (IMEX) in Nashville, TN, from October 27-28, 2023. IMEX is a global money show that is expected to attract more than 350 dealers and thousands of attendees from around the world.

As part of its mission to preserve and present the history and practice of finance in the United States, the Museum actively collects important documents and artifacts related to the capital markets, money, banking and free enterprise. The archive houses thousands of documents, certificates and examples of currency, including the nation's premier collection of 18th century US financial documents, as well as artifacts ranging from vintage stock tickers to Wall Street memorabilia. The collection also includes photographs, prints, books and periodicals pertaining to the history of finance, business and economics.

Objects from the Museum's collection to be displayed at IMEX include:

- Alexander Hamilton's 1790 "Report on the Public Credit," which is the economic equivalent of the US Constitution
- President George Washington's federal bond for \$185.95 of assumed debt, dated January 17, 1792, and signed by Washington
- Earliest known check in the public domain
- US Steel Corporation \$100,000 bond issued to Andrew Carnegie on June 14, 1901 and redeemed by the J.P. Morgan Company on July 23, 1913
- Blank check signed by President John F. Kennedy and carried by his Secret Service when he was assassinated in Dallas on November 22, 1963

Museum staff members will be on hand to discuss the documents, as well as provide general information on the Museum and its programs, to conference attendees. IMEX will be held at the Music City Center in Downtown Nashville. It will be open to the public from 10am-6pm on Friday, October 27, and from 9am-5pm on Saturday, October 28.

About the Museum of American Finance

As a socially relevant organization, the Museum of American Finance seeks to improve understanding of the influence of financial institutions and capital markets on the US and global economies, and on individuals' lives. The Museum is dedicated to educating the public on finance and financial history through exhibits, financial literacy programs and public events. An affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, the Museum seeks to empower individuals of all backgrounds to strive toward financial independence, while encouraging curiosity and discovery. For more information, visit <u>www.moaf.org</u> or connect with the Museum on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>.