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Contact: Troi K. Gale Velasquez, West End Library Manager
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Re: "Moments That Made US" exhibit at Forks and Clallam Bay libraries for America's 250th
Attached: *MomentsThatMadeUS.jpg*

Forks, WA – The West End branches of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) are displaying the "[Moments That Made US](#)" exhibit as part of America's 250th celebration. Library visitors can explore how generations of Americans have given meaning to the ideals set out in the Declaration of Independence.

Exhibition Schedule:

- **Forks Branch Library, 171 S. Forks Ave.:** June 29–July 5, during the Fourth of July festivities. The library will be closed July 4–5, but the exhibit will be viewable through the front windows.

- **Clallam Bay Branch Library, 16990 Hwy. 112:** July 6–11, during Clallam Bay Sekiu Fun Days. The library will have special open hours from noon to 5p.m. on Saturday, July 11.

For more information and to check library hours, visit [NOLS.org](https://nols.org), call 360-374-6402 or email discover@nols.org.

About the Exhibit

“Moments That Made US” looks back across centuries and highlights both challenging and celebratory times from the colonial era to more recent generations. The exhibition explores five themes drawn directly from the Declaration of Independence: Created Equal; Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness; Free and Independent States; Consent of the Governed; and We Mutually Pledge. The featured moments from American history inspire curiosity about the events that shaped the nation. They remind us that our story was never inevitable, we shaped it at every turn.

The exhibition was developed through a multi-state collaboration to ensure that Americans throughout the nation would have the opportunity to meaningfully engage in the nation’s 250th anniversary. It adapts the “Moments That Made US” exhibition created by History Colorado, and is presented locally through a partnership with the [Washington State Historical Society](#) and [Washington State America’s 250th](#).

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The “Moments That Made US” exhibit will be displayed at the Forks Library June 29-July 5 and at the Clallam Bay Library July 6-11.

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