

## THE MOST IMPORTANT AMERICAN MUSEUM THAT DOESN'T EXIST... YET.

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## Eight Scottish American Organizations Ask Congressional Friends of Scotland Caucus Members To Back Study of American People Museum

WASHINGTON, DC -- Eight Scottish American organizations today called on 39 bipartisan members of the Congressional Friends of Scotland Caucus to back a study to establish the National Museum of the American People. The museum will tell the stories about every ethnic and minority group that came to this land and nation from the prehistoric period through today.

"The stories of Scottish Americans and the Scots-Irish played a central role in the founding of our nation, and it is important for us to have support for this effort from the members of the Friends of Scotland Caucus members," said Alan Bain, President Emeritus of the American-Scottish Foundation.

Reps. John Duncan, R-TN and Mike McIntyre, D-NC, co-chairs of the Friends of Scotland Caucus, are cosponsors of House Congressional Resolution 63, the bipartisan measure which calls for a bipartisan Presidential commission to study establishment of the museum.

The letter sent to the Scottish caucus members was signed by Bain; H. Rudy Ramsey, Ph.D., President, The American Scottish Gaelic Society; Gus Noble, President, Chicago Scots; Susan L. McIntosh, President, Council of Scottish Clans & Associations; Jack Moore, President, Saint Andrew's Society of the Eastern Shore; Russell Shumway, President, Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, DC; David Close, President, Mid-Atlantic Scots4Tots; and Tim Cooke, National Commander, Scottish-American Military Society.

These eight organizations are members of the Coalition for the National Museum of the American People, comprising 150 organizations that represent virtually every ethnic and minority group in the nation.

Sam Eskenazi, director of the Coalition, emphasized that the Museum backers are not seeking federal appropriations to either fund the study commission or, in the future, to fund the building or operation of this significant national new cultural institution.

The Museum, telling everyone's migration and immigration story, will embody our nation's original national motto: E Pluribus Unum – From Many We Are One!

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NOTE: Contact Eskenazi for a list of the Friends of Scotland Caucus members. For more information about this project, go to <a href="https://www.nmap2015.com">www.nmap2015.com</a>.