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News Release

GARRY WILLS EXAMINES FUTURE OF U.S. CONSTITUTION

DAYTON, Ohio, February 26, 1987 -- Garry Wills, historian, syndicated columnist, and Northwestern University professor, will discuss the future of the United States government in a talk at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19, at the University of Dayton. His lecture will be in the Kennedy Union Ballroom and is the final event in a series held at UD to commemorate the bicentennial of the Constitution.

In his discussion, Wills will assess the next hundred years of our government and the future of the Constitution. He will examine the constitutional rights of equal protection and privacy, the trend toward and effect of an "Imperial Presidency," and how far we will depart from the original intent of those who created the Constitution.

Wills is currently the Henry R. Luce Professor of American Culture and Public Policy at Northwestern. His most recent book, <u>Reagan's America</u>, has been favorably reviewed in major periodicals including <u>Time</u>, <u>Newsweek</u>, and <u>The New York Times</u>. He is also the author of <u>Nixon Agonistes</u>, <u>Confessions of a Conservative</u>, and <u>Inventing</u> America, among other works.

Wills holds a B.A. from St. Louis University, an M.A. from Xavier University, and a Ph.D. from Yale University. His awards include the National Book Critics Circle Award, the Merle Curti Award of the Organization of American Historians, and honorary doctorates from the College of the Holy Cross and Columbia College of Chicago.

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