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PRESS RELEASE

The Passport To Your National Parks® program celebrates its 25th Anniversary

Fort Washington, PA, April 20, 2011: In May 2011, The Passport To Your National Parks® program will celebrate its 25th anniversary. Since its inception in 1986, the program has introduced over one million visitors to the full breadth and depth of the National Park System. As the Passport program celebrates its 25th year, it continues to promote visitation, education, and appreciation of America's national treasures.

The Passport book contains maps, photographs, and park information, along with spaces to collect the commemorative stamps. When you visit a national park, get your Passport cancelled. The cancellations record the park's name and date of your visit. To date, 384 parks participate in the Passport program, with some parks possessing multiple cancellation stamps for specific locations within a park.

A 25th Anniversary special commemorative cancellation stamp was developed and is available at parks participating in the program. Also developed to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the program, are limited editions of the original Passport book and the larger Passport Explorer®.

A series of collectible Passport stamps is issued each year. The set of 10 stamps is printed on one handy sheet. Simply peel off the stamps and place them in the designated areas in your Passport book. Stamp sets from previous years are available at national parks throughout the country or by contacting Eastern National. The 2011 stamp commemorates the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War, and features Fort Sumter National Monument as the national stamp.

For more information regarding the Passport To Your National Parks® program, please visit Passport Central at: <http://passport.eparks.com/>

