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Remembering Senator Edward Kennedy **Plimoth Plantation and Comcast To Broadcast** **Funeral Service Honoring** **Massachusetts' Beloved Senator**

Plymouth, MA, Plimoth Plantation – August 27, 2009, - Plimoth Plantation staff is deeply saddened by the passing of Senator Edward Kennedy, following his brave battle with cancer over the past year. To honor this dedicated public servant, whom was the third longest serving Senator in the United States, responsible for an impressive list of legislative achievements on health care, civil rights, education, immigration and more, Plimoth Plantation and Comcast have come together to open the doors of Plimoth Plantation's Linn Theater in the Henry Hornblower II Visitor Center, on Saturday, August 29, at 9 am, so that local community members can be together as they mourn his loss and watch his funeral service in a theater setting.

"For decades, Senator Kennedy has been a public servant devoted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and an open supporter of Plimoth Plantation's mission to present powerful, personal experiences with history," said Executive Director, Ellie Donovan. "We know that many in the community are looking for a place to come together and share in this very public loss and we want to be there for them."

Thanks to the generosity of Comcast, the Kennedy funeral service will be shown in Plimoth Plantation's Linn Theater on the large screen, FREE of charge to anyone who is interested in attending. Seating is limited to 220 and will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Plimoth Plantation is grateful to Senator Kennedy for the indelible contributions he has made across the United States and especially in Massachusetts.

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An avid sailor, Senator Kennedy enjoyed his visits onboard *Mayflower II* over the years, and just last year, he agreed to leave



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his visible mark on Plimoth Plantation's Henry Hornblower II Visitor Center, as the museum added the following quote from the Senator, to the lobby wall:

"Welcome to Plimoth Plantation! Thank you for supporting this outstanding non-profit organization, which makes history come alive for all who visit. I hope you enjoy your experience as much as my family and I do when we're here."

-Senator Edward M. Kennedy

He will be forever missed.

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