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## Liberty Memorial Tower Reopening to the Public Wednesday, May 26 at the National WWI Museum and Memorial

The Edward Jones Research Center will reopen on Memorial Day.

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – The National WWI Museum and Memorial will reopen <u>Liberty Memorial Tower</u> and the <u>Edward Jones Research Center</u> after more than a year of being closed due to the global health crisis. The Museum and Memorial closed to the public on March 16, 2020 for 11 weeks and, while many of its operations reopened on June 2, 2020, the Tower and Research Center have remained closed.

"Throughout the last year, we have meticulously followed the recommendations of public health officials in order to keep our guests, volunteers and staff safe," said Dr. Matthew Naylor, National WWI Museum and Memorial President and CEO. "We are thrilled that we can now safely reopen the Tower and our guests can take in the downtown skyline from this historic location."

The 217-foot-tall Liberty Memorial Tower will reopen on Wednesday, May 26 and remain open from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., seven days a week. Tickets can be purchased <u>online</u> or on-site, and visitors have the option of purchasing discounted combo tickets that include Museum and Memorial admission. Due to the popularity of the Tower, guests should plan to visit the Tower early in their visit to the Museum and Memorial. There will be modified elevator protocols in light of COVID-19.

The Edward Jones Research Center will reopen on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31. Ongoing hours will be Tuesday – Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Researchers are able to access the Museum and Memorial's 330,000 archival documents and three-dimensional objects as well as its more than 10,000 library titles for free.

## **About the National WWI Museum and Memorial**

The National World WWI Museum and Memorial is America's leading institution dedicated to remembering, interpreting and understanding the Great War and its enduring impact on the global community. The Museum and Memorial holds the most comprehensive collection of World War I objects and documents in the world and is the second-oldest public museum dedicated to preserving the objects, history and experiences of the war. The Museum and Memorial takes visitors of all ages on an epic journey through a transformative period and shares deeply personal stories of courage, honor, patriotism and sacrifice. Designated by Congress as America's official World War I Museum and Memorial and located in downtown Kansas City, Mo., the National WWI Museum and Memorial inspires thought, dialogue and learning to make the experiences of the Great War era meaningful and relevant for present and future generations. To learn more, visit theworldwar.org.