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Historian Says George Washington Set Precedent for Faith's Role in Public Life:

Lillback Reaffirms Our Christian Heritage as Fourth of July Approaches

What: The faith of our Founding Fathers, a subject of controversy among scholars in recent years. Dr. Peter A. Lillback says that although some of them were Deists – people who believe in a remote and impersonal God who plays no role in human affairs – George Washington and others were Christians, setting a precedent for religion playing a role in public life today.

A poll released this month by ABC and the Washington Post found that 60 percent felt our country was on the wrong track, mirroring the results of other recent surveys. This concern has driven many Americans to examine our history and Founding Fathers to determine where we have gone wrong.

Who: **Dr. Peter A. Lillback**, president of Westminster Theological Seminary and the Providence Forum, which educates Americans about their Judeo-Christian heritage and the faith and values of our Founding Fathers.

Dr. Lillback's book, "George Washington's Sacred Fire," about the first president's Christian faith, came out in 2006 but shot up to No. 1 on Amazon's bestseller list last month because of Glenn Beck's endorsement. The book was 479,955th on the list before Beck positively mentioned it on his radio show and Dr. Lillback appeared on Beck's TV show.

When/Where: By appointment via phone until July 2, when he will be in New York and be available in-studio through Fourth of July weekend

Details: Dr. Lillback can speak about the faith of our Founding Fathers, as well as:

- The fallacy that they wanted a separation between church and state
- The role faith should play in the public square
- Washington's personal qualities that are sadly lacking in public life today

Note: To schedule an interview with Dr. Lillback, contact Steve Yount of A. Larry Ross Communications at steve@alarryross.com, 972.267.1111 (o) or 469-438-7011 (m).