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CANDIDATES ANNOUNCED FOR REAGAN FOUNDATION CENTENNIAL GOP PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY DEBATE

DEBATE DETAILS OUTLINED

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. — The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation, in conjunction with its debate partners NBC News and POLITICO, announced today that the following eight presidential candidates have qualified and will participate in the Reagan Centennial GOP Presidential Primary Candidates Debate on September 7, 2011 (in alpha order by last name):

- **Michelle Bachmann**
- **Herman Cain**
- **Newt Gingrich**
- **Jon Huntsman, Jr.**
- **Ron Paul**
- **Rick Perry**
- **Mitt Romney**
- **Rick Santorum**

Each candidate received an invitation to participate in the debate through a letter from former first lady Nancy Reagan. View the criteria candidates have to meet to participate at www.debatepolicy.msnbc.com or <http://www.politico.com/news/stories/0811/61676.html>.

The Reagan Centennial Debate, the first GOP debate post-Labor Day, will be nationally broadcast live from the Reagan Library's Air Force One Pavilion on MSNBC beginning at 8:00 p.m. EDT. The debate will also air on CNBC, as well as in Spanish on Telemundo, and will stream live on www.politico.com and www.msnbc.com. The debate will be moderated by Brian Williams, anchor and managing editor of NBC Nightly News and John F. Harris, Editor in Chief of POLITICO. A portion of the evening's Q&A session will be led by Jose Diaz-Balart, the anchor of "Noticiero Telemundo."

The public is invited to submit candidate questions at <http://www.politico.com/reagandebate>.

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation plans to host a second GOP debate in Spring of 2012. The media partners for the second, pre-Super Tuesday debate will be announced in the coming months.

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Ronald Reagan's legacy of inspired freedom and his timeless principles of individual liberty, economic opportunity, global democracy and national pride. It sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, the Walter and Leonore Annenberg Presidential Learning Center and The Air Force One Pavilion. Located in Simi Valley, Calif., the library houses 63 million pages of gubernatorial, presidential and personal papers and over 60,000 gifts and artifacts

chronicling the lives of Ronald and Nancy Reagan. It now also serves as the final resting place of America's 40th president. www.reaganfoundation.org

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