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## "HADROSAURUS FOULKII: THE DINOSAUR THAT CHANGED THE WORLD," IS EXTENDED TO MAY 3

PHILADELPHIA—The Academy of Natural Sciences today announced it is extending the current special exhibit "Hadrosaurus foulkii: The Dinosaur That Changed the World" by two weeks because of positive response from the public.

"Hadrosaurus foulkii," which opened Nov. 22, will be on view through Sunday, May 3. It originally was scheduled to close on April 19.

The exhibit tells the story of the discovery, research and mounting of the famous 25-foot-long, plant-eating dinosaur from New Jersey. When it was discovered in Haddonfield in 1858, *Hadrosaurus foulkii* was the most complete dinosaur skeleton ever found. Ten years later, The Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia mounted the fossilized bones on a steel frame, becoming the first museum in the world to display a dinosaur skeleton.

The centerpiece of the current *Hadrosaurus foulkii* exhibit is the dinosaur skeleton, remounted and reinterpreted based on 21<sup>st</sup>-century science.

The exhibit is funded in part by The Wachovia Foundation.

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The Academy is located at 1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway and is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and until 5 p.m. on weekends. Admission is: \$10 for adults, \$8 for children ages 3–12, seniors, college students and military personnel, and free for children under 3. There is a \$2 fee for "Butterflies!"

Founded in 1812, The Academy of Natural Sciences is the oldest natural science research institution and museum in the Americas. Our mission is the encouragement and cultivation of the sciences.