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Today, in a unanimous vote, the Board of Directors of the Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum & Library, located in Philadelphia, PA, approved moving forward with the investigation of a prized Lincoln artifact belonging to the Museum.

A section of the “bloody pillowcase” on which President Lincoln had died has been the center of a media blitz and historical controversy, as the Museum’s Board wrestles with the decision on whether or not to conduct testing on their sample of Lincoln’s blood and brain matter.

The Museum is expected to convene a forum of Lincoln scholars and forensic pathologists to guide the Board’s future decisions relating to this debate.

Due to extenuating circumstances this board meeting was moved forward by one day from its regularly scheduled date.