



From darkness, light.

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In response to the defacing of the Buffalo Soldiers National Museum in Houston:

Holocaust Museum Houston stands in solidarity with Houston's African American community and the Buffalo Soldiers National Museum. Their purpose is to educate, promote, preserve and perpetuate the history, tradition and outstanding contributions of the Buffalo Soldier towards the development and defense of America from The Revolutionary War to the present.

The swastika used to deface the Buffalo Soldiers Museum is a symbol of hate. The mission of Holocaust Museum Houston is to use the lessons of the Holocaust and other genocides to teach the dangers of hatred and prejudice. We invite other individuals and institutions to join us in building a more humane society by promoting responsible individual behavior, cultivating civility and pursuing social justice.

When confronted with hatred and prejudice, we must remember: What you say matters. What you do matters. And in the words of Nelson Mandela, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

To learn more about the Buffalo Soldiers National Museum and Holocaust Museum Houston, please visit buffalosoldiermuseum.com and hmh.org, respectively.

Sincerely,

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