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Holocaust Museum Houston Statement on the Murder of George Floyd

Houston (May 31, 2020)...Holocaust Museum Houston (HMH) condemns the murder of George Floyd, a native son of Houston, as well as the recent slayings of Ahmaud Arbery, and Breonna Taylor. We grieve with the families, our city and the country. We stand with African Americans and all communities that have endured systemic racism and violence. Holocaust Museum Houston is resolved to confront hate in all its forms.

In the nation's most diverse city, HMH's vision is of a society that transforms ignorance into respect for human life. We are all called to action when confronted with the dehumanization and persecution of any community. Together, we will continue our mission and vision – to remember the Holocaust, and to affirm an individual's responsibility for the collective actions of society. In the words of Martin Luther King, Jr., "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

Holocaust Museum Houston, Lester and Sue Smith Campus, a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization founded in 1996 by Houston-area Holocaust Survivors, their descendants and members of the community, is accredited by The American Alliance of Museums. Average annual attendance is 130,000 visitors, including more than 71,000 middle and high school students. The Museum is dedicated to educating people about the Holocaust, remembering the 6 million Jews and other innocent victims and honoring the survivors' legacy. Using the lessons of the Holocaust and other genocides, we teach the dangers of hatred, prejudice and apathy. To learn more, visit hmh.org.

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