Holocaust Museum Houston Calling for Artifact Donations

HOUSTON (February 4, 2020)...Holocaust Museum Houston (HMH) is calling on the Houston community to donate artifacts from the Holocaust-era on Sunday, February 16, 2020, from noon-5 p.m. at 5401 Caroline St. With a major expansion of the Museum complete, HMH is looking for documents, photographs or personal items to educate visitors on the dangers of hate, prejudice and apathy. Potential donors will meet with the Museum’s curators to discuss a possible artifact donation.

“Each item embodies a life story that remains to be told,” said HMH CEO Dr. Kelly J. Zúñiga. “It’s part of our mission to conserve these artifacts so that future generations can continue learn from them.”

Artifacts like Holocaust survivor Chaja Verveer’s baby dress provide an important glimpse into life before WWII. As time passes, these items are at risk of irreparable damage. Before they are lost forever, Holocaust Museum Houston calls on the public to donate these precious items so that they will be preserved for generations to come. The Museum is seeking materials reflecting two theme areas; Jewish life before, during and after WWII and the Holocaust and its aftermath.

The Museum’s Call for Artifacts will take place Sunday, February 16, 2020, from noon-5 p.m. at 5401 Caroline St. To set up an appointment, potential donors should contact hmhcuratorial@gmail.com.

After two years and a $34 million expansion, Holocaust Museum Houston reopened in June 2019 after more than doubling in size to a total of 57,000 square feet. Ranked as the nation’s fourth largest Holocaust museum and fully bilingual in English and Spanish, the new three-story structure houses a welcome center, four permanent galleries and two changing exhibition galleries, classrooms, research library, café, 187-seat indoor theater and 175-seat outdoor amphitheater. More than 50 screens, mini-theaters and interactive terminals are featured throughout the Museum.

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ABOUT HOLOCAUST MUSEUM HOUSTON
Holocaust Museum Houston, 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.