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HOPE: Stories of Houston Survivors opens at Holocaust Museum Houston October 21, 2022

-- Annual exhibition offers video introductions to local Holocaust Survivors and their families--

HOUSTON (October 19, 2022) – Learn about the extraordinary lives of 10 local Holocaust Survivors and their legacy with the upcoming third installment of *HOPE: Stories of Houston Survivors*. The annual exhibition is on view October 21, 2022, through January 29, 2023, in Holocaust Museum Houston's (HMH) Josef and Edith Mincberg Gallery.

Curated by Holocaust Museum Houston's Carol Manley, *HOPE: Stories of Houston Survivors* offers a compelling 6-minute video introduction of each Houston Holocaust Survivor featuring family members' memories and clips from the Survivors' own video testimonies. Family artifacts, including passports, documents of support for emigration and certificates of naturalization, will also be showcased throughout the exhibition.

"Since 1996, it has been part of our mission to honor the Holocaust Survivors' legacy," said HMH CEO Dr. Kelly J. Zúñiga. "With nearly 1,000 Holocaust Survivors having called Houston home after World War 2, the third installment of this exhibition series is a powerful tool to keep their stories alive and in our cultural dialogue."

This installment of the exhibition series will include the stories of local Holocaust Survivors Ina Bernstein and daughter Michelle Flornoy, Michael Breston, Leon Cooper, David Dantus, Edith Hamer, Soula Molho, Louise and Rubin Joskowitz, and Naomi Warren. Their stories varied but all became seasoned in survival. Some survived multiple camps, lived in the forest under the care of partisans, one escaped death with a visa written by Japanese diplomat Chiune Sugihara and one survived when he was picked to work for Oskar Schindler. No matter the journey that finally brought these Holocaust Survivors to Houston, most never spoke of their experiences during the Holocaust. They considered themselves "a generation of silence" until Holocaust Museum Houston opened its doors 26 years ago and bearing witness helped them while educating students and fellow citizens so they would never forget.

HOPE: Stories of Houston Survivors is presented by Barbara J. and Buddy Herz. Holocaust Museum Houston graciously thanks Lead Sponsors including The Lewis and Joan Lowenstein Foundation, the Warren Family and the Wermuth-Meicler Endowment Fund in Memory of Tola and Sol Rosenberg.

For tickets and more information, please visit hmh.org.

Holocaust Museum Houston, Lester and Sue Smith Campus, is fully bilingual in English and Spanish. Located at 5401 Caroline Street, HMH is closed Mondays except Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Memorial Day and Labor Day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. The Museum's Legacy Café is open during Museum hours. Admission is \$22 for adults; \$16 for seniors (ages 65+), AARP members and active-duty military; always free for children and students through age 18; and free to all visitors Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Parking is available at the Museum's adjacent lot for \$8 for a four-hour period. Tickets are available exclusively online. For more information, visit hmh.org/visit.

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