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IN-PERSON PRESENTATION, DELAYED BY COVID-19, MADE TO LEADERSHIP OF PALM BEACH FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIANS & JEWS

WEST PALM BEACH, FL – June 14, 2021 – Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service (Alpert JFS) Board President Zelda Mason (center) recently presented awards at Earl E.T. Smith Park in Palm Beach, FL to Palm Beach Fellowship of Christians & Jews' John C. "Skip" Randolph and Margaret "Maggie" Zeidman, chair and vice chair, respectively, who were honored at the virtual 2nd Annual "Never Again" Holocaust Survivors Benefit in December 2020. They were recognized for their work throughout the community by promoting – and living – the concepts of respectful dialogue and civil interaction among people of all ages, faiths, and backgrounds.

"Skip and Maggie lead the efforts of the grassroots organization dedicated to promoting fellowship, understanding, and respect among all religions and cultures, to build bridges and open doors to better communication and mutual respect," said Mason. "Because they care, our community is a better place for people of all ages, faiths, and backgrounds. Their actions of living the concepts of respectful and civil dialogue are inspiring and enlightening."

Randolph joined the Palm Beach Fellowship of Christians and Jews 27 years ago, becoming chair of the organization a year later. His motivation was the intolerance, anti-Semitism and unjust discrimination he witnessed within the local community and elsewhere, which was the total opposite of the organization's mission of promoting "fellowship, understanding, and respect among all religions and cultures through education, dialogue and interaction." A practicing attorney, specializing in governmental law, land use and zoning in Palm Beach County, Skip is the attorney for the towns of Palm Beach, Jupiter Island, and Gulfstream, Florida. He has served as president of the Rehabilitation Center for Children and Adults in Palm Beach, and is a past president of the Royal Poinciana board of directors, the Zoological Society of the Palm Beaches, and the Florida Municipal Attorneys' Association, which awarded him the Paul S. Buchman Attorney of the Year Award in 2006. Skip has been listed in "Best Lawyers in America," the South Florida Legal Guide Top Lawyers, Florida Trend's Legal Elite, and Palm Beach Illustrated's Top Lawyers.

Zeidman was elected Council President of the Palm Beach Town Council in 2016. A resident of Palm Beach for 18 years, she was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Palm Beach Fellowship of Christians & Jews and subsequently elected Vice Chair. Maggie has participated in numerous other civic and charitable efforts, including but not limited to Catholic Charities Health and Wellness, St. Edward Guild, the Palm Beach Civic Association and the Preservation Foundation. Well-known for her expertise in the field of cardiovascular nursing, Maggie was previously the Director of Nursing at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau and has been published in nursing textbooks and professional journals. Maggie also held the position of Clinical Director at Barnum and Souza, a New York-based marketing firm. She has been recognized by the American Heart Association, the Critical Care Nurses Association and the University of Miami as a leader in health care.

Established in 1974, Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service is a nationally accredited service provider for children, adults, seniors, and Holocaust survivors. The non-profit, non-sectarian organization is a trusted leader, with a team of nearly 200 highly skilled professionals delivering high-quality care to community members. Alpert JFS works to ensure the well-being of children and families, independence of older adults and quality-of-life for individuals with disabilities. For more information, visit Alpert JFS.org or phone 561-684-1991.

