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ALPERT JFS TO PRESENT "NEVER AGAIN" HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS BENEFIT VIRTUALLY ON DECEMBER 3, 2020

WEST PALM BEACH, FL – November 6, 2020 – Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service (Alpert JFS) will present the 2nd Annual "Never Again" Holocaust Survivors Benefit on Thursday, December 3, 2020, from 7:00-8:00 p.m., co-chaired by Sheila Engelstein, Vivienne Ivry, and Zelda Mason.

The event will honor John C. "Skip" Randolph and Maggie Zeidman, chair and vice-chair, respectively, of the Palm Beach Fellowship of Christians and Jews, in recognition of their work in providing guidance felt throughout the community by promoting – and living – the concepts of respectful dialogue and civil interaction among people of all ages, faiths and backgrounds, who want to make a community a better place. Sponsors include Gayle & Paul Gross, Amicable Home Health Care, and Mutual of America Financial Group.

Matthew Orton, the writer and co-producer of "Operation Finale" will be the featured guest speaker. The cinematic thriller recounts the story of a group of Israeli secret agents who tracked down notorious SS Officer Adolf Eichmann in Argentina, and his subsequent trial in Israel.

The virtual event is open to the community-at-large, free of charge. In lieu of couverts, Alpert JFS has a fundraising goal of \$360,000 in connection with its virtual events – "Never Again" and, on February 16, 2021, the 17th Annual "No Excuse for Abuse" event, showcasing abduction survivor, advocate, and author Elizabeth Smart – to provide much-needed assistance for the most vulnerable residents of Palm Beach, Martin and St. Lucie counties during this time of unprecedented challenge.

Register for the event at <u>AlpertJFS.org/events/neveragain/</u> or contact Development Officer Maxine Sonnenschein at 561-252-8825 or <u>Maxine.Sonnenschein@AlpertJFS.org</u> for more information.

The Alpert JFS Holocaust Survivors Assistance Program has seven full-time employees working to preserve the dignity of Holocaust survivors, identifying and addressing their distinct social welfare, health care, and emotional needs with the utmost sensitivity. The team helps them navigate the Reparations Benefit Process, and provides monthly, bi-monthly, and annual socialization activities for survivors. The HonoringLifeTM program facilitated by Alpert JFS provides cultural competency training for healthcare and legal professionals, as well as others who may encounter Holocaust survivors.

For more information about Alpert JFS' Holocaust Survivors Assistance Program, visit <u>www.AlpertJFS.org/for-seniors-holocaust-survivors-assistance/.</u>

Established in 1974, Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service (Alpert JFS) 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 www.AlpertJFS.org/ or phone 561-684-1991.

