

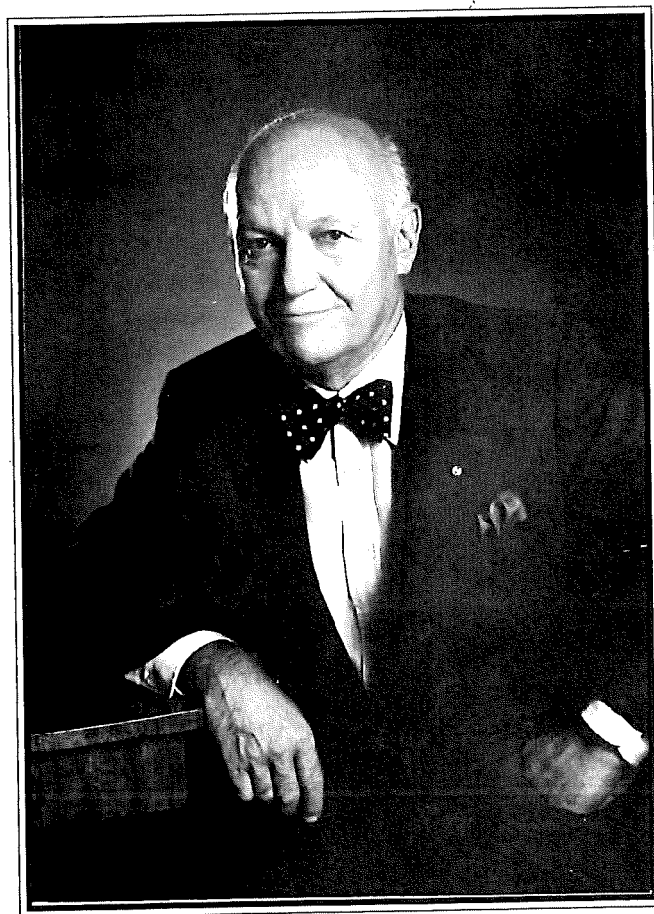
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**10th Anniversary Salute
To**

ALAN C. GREENBERG



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The Honorable Gideon Hausner

***All made a difference in the international
effort on behalf of Raoul Wallenberg,
and each made an important contribution to the work of
The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States***



RAOUL WALLENBERG

"Whoever saves one human life, it is as if he saved the whole world."

When the last remaining Jews of Hungary were threatened with extinction by Adolf Eichmann and his Nazi henchmen, Raoul Wallenberg -- a 31 year old Swedish businessman -- volunteered to leave the safety of his peaceful homeland, Sweden, and travel to war-torn Budapest to save lives. Hungary had the largest remaining Jewish community in all of Nazi occupied Europe. The measure of Wallenberg's extraordinary success is that, when Russian troops entered the city of Budapest in January 1945, there were over 120,000 surviving Hungarian Jews. Perhaps as many as 100,000 of these lives were directly attributable to the heroic, life-saving efforts of one courageous human being -- Raoul Wallenberg.

Wallenberg was born in Sweden on August 4, 1912. His father died three months before his birth and he was brought up by his devoted mother, Maj; his paternal grandfather, Ambassador Gustav Wallenberg; and later by a loving stepfather, Frederik von Dardel. His education in Sweden was traditional but, at the age of eighteen, he was encouraged by his grandfather to explore the world. Raoul graduated from the University of Michigan in 1935 -- the same class as future President Gerald R. Ford. In 1936, as a trainee for his family's bank, he worked in Palestine where he began to hear of the horrors of Nazi brutality from the young German Jews arriving in Haifa.

The stories of Nazi persecution stayed in his mind. When, in 1944, the governments of the United States and Sweden offered him the chance to go to Hungary to attempt to save the Jews, Wallenberg leapt at the opportunity. He arrived in Budapest on July 9, 1944 as First Secretary of the Swedish Legation, with full diplomatic status and permission to use "unorthodox" means to accomplish his mission. That same day, the last train left Hungary, transporting Jews from the surrounding countryside to the death-camps, leaving only the 200,000 Jews remaining in Budapest.

Raoul Wallenberg's presence, his willingness to help as many Jews as possible through protective passports and Swedish safe houses, catalyzed other diplomats in Budapest to offer similar protection. Over the six month period that Wallenberg was engaged in this life and death struggle, he risked himself

day and night to keep his "Swedes" from the hands of the Nazis and Arrow Cross. Not only did he place himself between 5,000 of those under his protection and the guns of a hostile patrol saying: "As long as I live, these Jews will not leave," but he many times had personal run-ins with enemy officials, threatening them with his determination to see that they be held accountable at the end of the War. While he received anonymous threats, Eichmann told Wallenberg to his face: "Don't think your diplomatic status can save you forever! Strange things can happen -- even to Swedish diplomats!"

The event leading to Wallenberg's tragic disappearance came from a totally unexpected source. Soviet soldiers, who Wallenberg had so eagerly awaited to liberate Budapest so he could return home, illegally arrested him on January 17, 1945. Dr. Erno Peto, the last man to see Wallenberg free, gave this account:

. . . we met at a Red Cross station and he asked me to accompany him to Marshall Malinowsky to organize the food and medical supplies for the Ghetto....He was being escorted by motorcycle combination with a Russian major and two soldiers. He said to me, half jokingly, that he did not know whether [he was to travel with them] 'as a guest or prisoner.' As I spoke some Russian, I asked the Major to visit the recently freed district of the Swedish houses. So we went in Raoul's car, with our Russian escort, to the edge of the district which was still under German fire. The Russians stayed by the car, under the condition that we would return in half an hour. We two ran, ducking the rounds. The houses stood intact and we returned on time. If we had had any inkling or suspicion of danger, Raoul could have been hidden in those houses -- but we were still innocent about the Soviets at that hour.

After years of queries from the Swedish government, the Soviets in 1957 -- forced to respond to reports from returning foreign prisoners who had shared cells with Wallenberg in Soviet prisons -- answered that Raoul Wallenberg died in Lubyanka Prison of a heart attack in 1947. They have held to this claim until the present, in spite of an increasing number of verified sightings dating into the Eighties. As knowledge of Wallenberg's deeds earned him worldwide acclaim, international pressure was placed on the Soviet Union to release Raoul Wallenberg or bring forth incontrovertible evidence about the truth of his fate.

In October, 1989 Wallenberg's sister and brother -- Nina Lagergren and Dr. Guy von Dardel -- were invited to Moscow. Wallenberg's possessions -- seized at the time of his arrest -- were returned to the family with an apology for the "tragic mistake" of his imprisonment. But no new information was divulged. In October 1990, in a cooperative gesture, the Soviets allowed an international commission to research the files of Vladimir Prison where Wallenberg had been most frequently sighted. While all Wallenberg's files are in the hands of the KGB, the Commission was able to further verify a number of sightings and produce evidence from the Soviets' own records to contradict the 1947 alleged date-of-death.

Even as the mystery which surrounds Wallenberg's disappearance continues, hope for this remarkable hero remains an active component of the work that is done in his name. Even as we leave "no stone unturned" in our efforts to establish the truth of Raoul Wallenberg's fate, The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States is dedicated to bringing the story of Raoul Wallenberg's compassionate heroism to Americans of all generations. For all of us, RAOUL WALLENBERG LIVES! In every aspect of our work, we strive to insure that Raoul Wallenberg will far outlive his Nazi opponents and Soviet jailers. Not only will he live in the daily thanks expressed by those whom he saved, but he will live in the hearts and minds of young people who -- fired by his nobility and compassion -- will have the courage to take their own stand against racism and injustice.

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing."

--Edmund Burke



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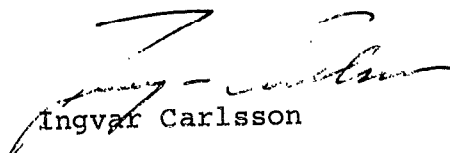
To the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States

It is now more than 46 years since Raoul Wallenberg was seized by Soviet troops in Budapest. Raoul Wallenberg was fighting against the evils of Nazism and thanks to his efforts tens of thousands of Jews were saved from the Holocaust.

Raoul Wallenberg has become a legend and a symbol for the individual's struggle for humanity and for human rights. Nowadays, also the general public in the Soviet Union is aware of Wallenberg and his deeds. Developments in that country have aroused new hopes that the truth about his fate will finally be established.

As long as uncertainty remains about Raoul Wallenberg's fate, we will make every endeavour to find the truth. As long as the contrary is not proved, we assume that Raoul Wallenberg may still be alive.

The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States, which is now entering its second decade, has done a remarkable work. The Committee has taken on an important educational task in telling also young generations about Raoul Wallenberg's deeds and fate. I wish the Committee all success in its activities.


Ingvar Carlsson

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May 1, 1991

I am delighted to send warm greetings to all those gathered to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States. Congratulations to your honoree, Alan Greenberg.

Preserving the memory of the Holocaust -- and of all of the brave and selfless individuals who risked their lives to save others from certain death at the hands of the Nazis -- is a noble and, indeed, vital task. The events of that dark era in history continue to teach us valuable lessons about individual accountability and collective responsibility in the face of evil. The challenge before us today is clear -- we must fight threats to human rights and dignity wherever, and in whatever form, they appear.

In the history of the Holocaust, we find powerful examples of what one individual can do to combat evil with goodness. Raoul Wallenberg, the daring and compassionate Swedish diplomat, is one such example, and his life can and must continue to inspire us today. I commend all those men and women who, like this beloved hero, have dedicated themselves to helping their fellowman, thus making ours a safer, more peaceful world. This includes the members of your Committee and its great friend, Mr. Greenberg. By working to promote human rights and to encourage today's young people to be heroes in their own right, you are giving the best possible honor to the memory of Raoul Wallenberg.

Barbara joins me in sending best wishes for a memorable event. God bless you.

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BOB DOLE
UNITED STATES SENATE

April 15, 1991

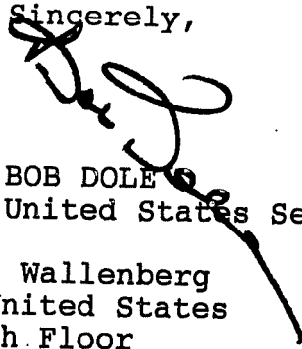
Dear Friends,

It has come to my attention that the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States is scheduled to celebrate its 10th anniversary this May.

The prestigious work of the Committee and its accomplishments over the last decade continue to bring recognition to the remarkable deeds of a truly heroic man -- Raoul Wallenberg. I would like to take this opportunity to express my congratulations on a job well done and give my best wishes to the Committee for a successful future.

I hope the Committee's 10th anniversary is a truly memorable occasion.

Sincerely,


BOB DOLE
United States Senate

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April 12, 1991

Ms. Rachel O. Haspel
President
The Raoul Wallenberg Committee
of the United States
245 Park Avenue, 38th Floor
New York, NY 10167

Dear Ms. Haspel:

I am writing to congratulate the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States for the outstanding work it has been doing to inform the American people of the heroic deeds of Raoul Wallenberg and to press for the truth about his fate. I wish to pay particular tribute to the work of Alan C. Greenberg, the Chairman Emeritus of the Committee, whose dedication and commitment have been vital to the Committee's success.

During the ten years of its existence, the Raoul Wallenberg Committee has been tireless and imaginative in spreading the word of Wallenberg's courageous campaign to save the lives of 100,000 Hungarian Jews. As Chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Education, Arts and Humanities, I am particularly excited about the Wallenberg Committee's new Heroes Curriculum for school children. We need heroic figures to inspire us, and the life of Raoul Wallenberg deserves to be remembered for its example of selfless devotion to humanity.

With every good wish.

Ever sincerely,


Claiborne Pell

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC

April 22, 1991

Dear Ms. Haspel:

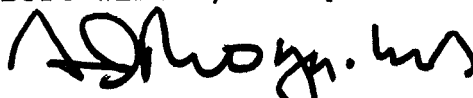
I do regret that I cannot be present at the 10th Anniversary dinner of The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States. Raoul Wallenberg stands out as one of the this century's greatest heroes and the Committee has done so much to keep his cause alive. Liz has been proud to serve on the Committee's Executive Board and I on its National Advisory Board.

You have asked for a description of our efforts in this matter. Briefly, we were galvanized to action in the summer of 1979 by a meeting with Nina Lagergren, Raoul Wallenberg's sister. Shortly thereafter, Senators Pell, Church, Boschwitz and I founded a "Free Wallenberg Committee". This "working group", with the active involvement of Liz, Lena Biorck Kaplan and others, strongly encouraged the Administration to pursue the facts with the Soviets. Support from Secretary Vance and others was strong, but the Soviets were not forthcoming. In August 1980 I introduced S. Con. Res. 117, calling upon the President to raise the Wallenberg case at the Madrid CSCE review conference.

I joined Senator Pell and the other "working group" members in sponsoring S. J. Res. 65 to grant Raoul Wallenberg U.S. citizenship. Liz met with Soviet officials, authored a Washington Post Op-Ed article on the Wallenberg case and participated in the landmark 1981 Stockholm hearings. In the following years we continued to pursue the matter in many ways, including speaking at the Committee's important 1985 dinner and supporting "Raoul Wallenberg Recognition Day". In the last Congress, with the lifting of the "iron curtain", I introduced S. Con. Res. 60, acknowledging the release of Raoul Wallenberg's prison records and calling for a full, impartial investigation of all sightings of Raoul Wallenberg since 1947.

Both Liz and I know that the Raoul Wallenberg Committee will continue its efforts until the full facts are known, and we take pleasure in sending you our warm congratulations on this, the Committee's 10th Anniversary.

Best wishes,



Daniel Patrick Moynihan

Ms. Rachel Oestreicher Haspel
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April 16, 1991

The Raoul Wallenberg Committee
of the United States
c/o Rachel Oestreicher Haspel
245 Park Avenue, 38th Floor
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Dear Friends:

Elie Wiesel calls the Holocaust "night." By that measure, Raoul Wallenberg was -- and possibly is -- day. On this 10th anniversary of the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States, those of us awed by the achievements of this man have a duty to transmit our knowledge and his memory to a world that too often forgets.

Fifty years ago, the United States prepared for war. Elsewhere in the world, the machinery of death was already working overtime. Great leaders of great nations were silent as millions of men, women and children perished year after year, day after day, hour after hour.

Then there was Wallenberg. A Swedish diplomat, elevated by birth, protected by position; a man who could have turned away from the doomed Jews of Hungary. Instead, he thrust his own body between them and the death machine. Alone he saved perhaps 100,000.

The life of Wallenberg teaches us about the very best that human beings are capable of. That life is an antidote to despair. That one person is like a stone in a still pool, sending forth ripples across the entire length in a single action.

But we must match our sadness at his disappearance with a great deal of pride and even joy. For by deciding to be the "day" that cut through the night for so many tens of thousands, Raoul Wallenberg brought millions of new days to a generation of victims who were saved. And in their descendants, for as long as time is recorded, a debt of life will be gratefully owed to this singular man, Raoul Wallenberg.

Sincerely,



Carl Levin

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United States Senate

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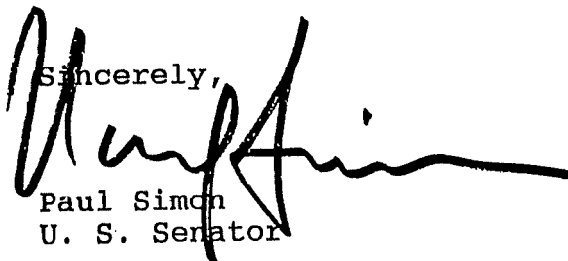
Dear Friend:

Alan Greenberg's leadership for the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States is greatly appreciated.

It is extremely important that we not only note that sometimes humanity can be inhumane, it is also good to note those who have been the heroes, who have stood up for the cause of justice and humanity.

Raoul Wallenberg certainly is a shining star in that respect, and I applaud Alan Greenberg's efforts to lift our vision through Raoul Wallenberg.

Sincerely,



Paul Simon
U. S. Senator

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15TH DISTRICT, NEW YORK

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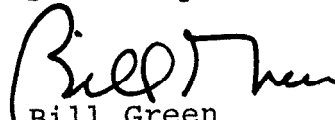
Ms. Rachel Oestreicher Haspel
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The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of
The United States
245 Park Avenue, 38th Floor
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Dear Rachel:

In recognition of the 10th Anniversary of the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States, I have submitted the enclosed "Extension of Remarks" into the Congressional Record.

At this time, I should like to offer my best regards to Ace and all those involved with The Committee. All the best for a successful event on May 1st.

Sincerely,



Bill Green
Member of Congress

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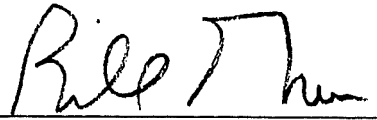
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"Extension of Remarks"
April 18, 1991


Bill Green, M.C.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring your attention to the Tenth Anniversary of the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States. In celebration of that occasion, the Committee will honor Alan "Ace" Greenberg, its Chairman Emeritus and most dedicated volunteer, on May 1, 1991 in New York City.

The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States was created in order to bring recognition to, and discover the fate of, Raoul Wallenberg, a hero who saved the lives of approximately 100,000 Hungarian Jews during the Holocaust. To name a few of its outstanding accomplishments, The Committee has funded five Human Rights Fellowships, one Swedish Fellowship, and published A Hero For Our Time and Raoul Wallenberg's Children. The two publications have been used as an educational tool in schools and libraries to enlighten the young about Mr. Wallenberg's heroism.

Alan Greenberg began his association with The Committee when he took part in a candlelight vigil in New York on January 17, 1983. Since that event, Ace has remained dedicated to its purpose. As Chairman and CEO of The Bear Stearns Companies, Ace also is one of Wall Street's most respected leaders.

I should like to join my colleagues in extending all the best to Ace Greenberg and the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States. It is my hope that The Committee will continue its efforts to educate the public about one of the world's most extraordinary heroes and to investigate the details of his fate.

TED WEISS

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Ms. Rachel Oestreicher Haspel
President
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Dear Rachel:

Congratulations to the Raoul Wallenberg Committee on its 10th anniversary. Today, Raoul Wallenberg's heroic deeds are known around the globe and inspire people of all nations. The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States deserves credit for much of this international recognition.

The Raoul Wallenberg Committee continues its noble mission of preserving and promulgating Raoul Wallenberg's legacy. I am particularly enthusiastic about the Committee's latest endeavor, the Heroes Curriculum. The Heroes Curriculum will provide schools nationwide with a flexible, multimedia program offering role models for our nation's youth. In today's often confusing and disheartening world, role models are needed to encourage children to cultivate the hero in themselves.

I am especially pleased that the Raoul Wallenberg Committee will be honoring Alan "Ace" Greenberg at its 10th anniversary dinner. Through his selfless dedication to educating the American public about Raoul Wallenberg's courage and humanitarianism, Ace Greenberg has ensured that generations to come will benefit from the knowledge of this hero's inspiring deeds.

Congratulations, again, and I hope to be able to commemorate this occasion with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ted".

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Member of Congress

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The Hilton Room

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Alan C. Greenberg

Our Own "Hero For Our Time"

Alan C. Greenberg first became part of The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States when he joined a candlelight vigil, across from the Soviet Mission in New York on the night of January 17, 1983. From that moment, he has been wholeheartedly committed to the work and direction of the organization. He served as Chairman from 1985 through 1987, when he left -- forcing the Committee to name him Chairman Emeritus, certainly the youngest in captivity.

Alan is Chairman and CEO of The Bear Stearns Companies, Inc. He joined the firm in 1949, coming straight out of the wilds of Oklahoma. In 1958 he was made a General Partner. He became Chief Executive Officer of the partnership in 1978, and in 1985 he became Chairman and CEO of the public company when the firm was incorporated. He continues to man the trading desk, like an Oklahoma cowboy on a bucking bronco.

Alan has served as a member of the Board of Governors of the American Stock Exchange and as a member of the Governing Council of the Securities Industry. Respected for his integrity and his genius by the business community, he is as well known and deeply loved for his abiding and compassionate concern for an amazing number of civic and charitable causes. His philanthropic interests include New York University, United Way, the United Jewish Appeal, The University of Oklahoma which he attended on a football scholarship, the Shaare Zedek Hospital of Jerusalem, The New York Public Library, The University of Missouri, and Johns Hopkins.

Sir Alan was knighted by Queen Margrethe II of Denmark and became a Knight of the Order of Dannebrog in 1984. Over the years he has received many honors and awards, far too many to list them all. He was the first recipient of "The Recognition of Goodness Award" from the Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers/ADL; he was the recipient of the Metropolitan Council Branches of the NAACP Award for his dedication to the cause of equality and a better life in the New York area. He was named "Man of the Year" by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and he received the "Philanthropist of the Year Award" from the Greater New York Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives for achievements in philanthropy, social service, and education.

Lest you come away believing that our special 'Ace' thinks only about business and good works, you should also know that he won the National Bridge Championship in 1977; was the winner of the Gold Medal for Bridge at the Maccabiah Games in Israel in 1981. Alan is also an avid sportsman, he trains and shows dogs, and he is a Master Magician.

The Ace of Hearts wears many hats and performs his magic with amazing dexterity. But it is the magic of his goodness that The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States know best. Our success in making America aware of Wallenberg's story is a reflection of Alan Greenberg's attentive concern and caring heart. The Raoul Wallenberg Committee is housed today in the corporate headquarters of The Bear Stearns Companies, where the unflagging interest and selfless dedication of our Master Magician, Alan "Ace" Greenberg, continually opens new vistas. He is our Ace of Hearts and justly deserving of our own:

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THE RAOUL WALLENBERG COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED STATES

The Committee's primary mission is to educate the American public about Raoul Wallenberg's compassionate heroism during the Holocaust and to press for the truth of his fate. An Honorary Citizen of the United States who saved the lives of approximately 100,000 Hungarian Jews, Wallenberg is now known and revered throughout the world. Much of this recognition has come about because of The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States.

Over the past decade, the Committee has:

- Bestowed three awards: the Raoul Wallenberg Civic Courage Award to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho for its stand against Neo-Nazi terrorists; the World of Heroes Awards to Righteous Gentiles for their courageous deeds during the Holocaust; and, for contemporary heroism, to H. Ross Perot during the Iran Crisis;
- Established, by Congressional Resolution, October 5th as the National Raoul Wallenberg Recognition Day;
- Sponsored the renaming of the sidewalk fronting the United Nations as Raoul Wallenberg Walk;
- Funded five Raoul Wallenberg International Human Rights Fellowships and one Swedish Fulbright Fellowship;
- Published a semi-annual newsletter and distributed more than 70,000 information packets in the United States;
- Served as a primary resource for major film and television productions, books and articles;
- Lectured widely in conjunction with its traveling exhibit, *A Tribute to Raoul Wallenberg*, which has toured continually since 1985;
- Networked with national and foreign governments, religious and human rights organizations and with Wallenberg committees throughout the world;
- Reinforced the efforts of the Joint International Commission and Soviet-based groups by initiating new approaches aimed at obtaining Wallenberg's release or learning the true facts surrounding his fate;
- Published *A Hero for Our Time* and *Raoul Wallenberg's Children* which have been used extensively in libraries and schools throughout the country and mark a first step toward the Committee's forthcoming education project for the young.

The Committee Speaks . . .

Working with the Raoul Wallenberg Committee has given me tremendous pleasure. Being honored by a group that bears his name is the ultimate compliment. I am truly honored.

Alan C. Greenberg, Chairman Emeritus

When I think of all the people I would have liked to have been, the name of Raoul Wallenberg heads the list. Here, we have a man who for no possible personal motive gave his everything to save people who were total strangers. He is the ultimate example of the "Righteous Gentile."

Alex Rosenberg, Chairman



Photo: Alvalene Karlsson

Kathryn Greenberg, Alex Rosenberg and Alan Greenberg

There are many who, to this day, believe that Raoul most likely is dead, but I am not one of them! I not only want Raoul to "come alive" in the literal sense, but -- for all eternity -- to be a hero and a beacon of compassion and hope, just as he was to everyone, years ago in Budapest. It is therefore vitally important that we continue not only to search for the truth of what happened to Raoul, but that, through him, we teach others how compassion and courage can make a difference in this complicated world in which we live.

Jacob Wallenberg, Vice Chairman

I first heard Raoul Wallenberg's name ten years ago and found it impossible to believe that anyone who had saved 100,000 men, women and children should be totally unknown outside of a very small group of Swedes and Hungarian Jews. At that time, I committed myself to the task of making certain that the American public would know the name of "Raoul Wallenberg." After learning more about what motivated him to save others, I asked my then nine year old daughter to name a hero. She pointed to photos on her wall of Prince and Tina Turner -- terrific rock performers, but most certainly not heroes. I then made a second commitment: to bring the story of this hero to our children as a role model. They must learn how to identify the true heroes in their communities, in their families and, most importantly, the potential of heroism in themselves.

Rachel Oestreicher Haspel, President

The legacy of this noble man, the courageous spirit of this giant must be kept alive for the sake of the children, all the children, everywhere. No one showed more *zivilkurage* during mankind's darkest hours. Raoul Wallenberg put his life on the line time and again, fighting Eichmann and the evil that permeated Budapest in '44 - '45. We cannot forget, we should not forget.

Fred Howard, Vice President

My greatest and fondest wish is that we find Raoul Wallenberg and obtain his release. If he spends only one day again with his family, we will have done the greatest *mitzvah* by giving him his freedom.

Martin Riskin, Vice President

In a world where there are so few heroes, the presence of a Raoul Wallenberg is so heartening and so necessary. Mr. Wallenberg's heroism is not one which celebrates a victory by arms; but, rather, his is a victory that saved human lives and provided a beacon of hope that all men and women might follow. For those skeptics who would suggest that Raoul Wallenberg may have died in a Russian prison -- let them turn to themselves and say, pointing at their heart, "This is where he died."

Wilbert A. Tatum, Vice President

Having been rescued by the Danes from the Nazis, I feel strongly compelled -- morally as well as emotionally -- to attempt to rescue the rescuer in his time of need and to participate in spreading the word about Raoul Wallenberg -- the incredible, unselfish hero.

Walter Oppenheim, Secretary

When I first became involved with the Committee, it was a question of justice. I felt it was terribly wrong that Raoul Wallenberg's story end with his disappearance. Historically, it should never be said that the world stood by and did nothing to help a man who embodies everything we claim to hold so dear. I had no idea then that I would come to care about Raoul as if he were part of my own family. The more you learn about Raoul Wallenberg, the tighter he wraps himself around your heart.

Diane Blake, Treasurer

Having been saved by Sweden during the War from German occupation, I am very grateful to that country for having given me a chance to escape Nazi rulers. While I was in Sweden from 1943-45, Raoul Wallenberg's incredibly humanitarian acts first became known to me. They gave us all courage to go on, to believe in the future.

Vera Stern, Executive Board

Raoul Wallenberg, through his sacrifice, personifies the single most important message for human co-existence: that of treating each person with respect and decency, regardless of race, religion and nationality. Perpetuating this message, particularly to the kids growing up in today's world, is to me the primary significance of our Committee.

Ann Throne-Holst Gerschman, Executive Board

From the first time when, as a young boy in Sweden, I heard of Raoul Wallenberg -- I immediately thought that he must be one of the greatest men ever. Till today, his personal courage and initiative is unsurpassed, making him one of the greatest heroes of modern time and a true example of the best of mankind.

**David E. R. Dangoor,
Executive Board**



Photo: Alvalene Karlsson
Jacob Wallenberg, Gunilla Lofgren Nisser and Carl Nisser

Not enough has been said about those men and women whose nobility of spirit set them apart from so many who failed to act. Raoul Wallenberg was one of these "soldiers of the soul." In every sense, the unassuming but relentless Swedes was an Angel of Rescue. Through his dedication and courage he saved the lives of some ninety thousand Jews -- an accomplishment unmatched even by the combined half-hearted efforts of the Allied government. That late Arthur D. Morse said of Wallenberg in his book *While Six Million Died: A Chronicle of American Apathy*: "His gallantry bridges the chasm between the pretense and performances of the forces of international morality."

From the Foreword to "Angel of Rescue" by Harvey Rosenfeld

**Secretary Jack Kemp,
National Advisory Board**



Rachel Oestreicher Haspel and The Hon. Jeanne Kirkpatrick

Serving on the Committee enables me to keep alive the memory of a great man and, at the same time, to honor my parents who worked with him.

The Honorable Mary Mochary, Executive Board

As a young man, Raoul Wallenberg loved the world. In his travels, he approached every culture with respect and understanding. Had he not been arrested, the risks he took on behalf of the Jews of Budapest he might have taken again and again for oppressed peoples everywhere. And the world, recognizing this truth, has loved him in return. Every year, another nation makes him its honorary citizen. Though his heroic deeds were long ago, his name is repeatedly nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. This is the most wondrous response ever offered an individual in our time. And yet one must ask: will he ever know how we feel? And will this unprecedented acclaim ever really make up for his loss of precious freedom?

Susan Mesinai, Program Director

The story of Raoul Wallenberg is one of courage and compassion and conviction. It is a story without a happy ending, but with a message of great inner strength -- a strength I believe we all harbor within us. But would we have gone to Budapest or would we, like the rest of the world, have turned our backs pretending not to hear, nor to see? In a time of darkness, Raoul was the light. For that I will remain forever grateful.

**Lena Biorck Kaplan, Founding President
Former Member, Executive Board**

What matters more than anything else is to celebrate the great spirit and love of Raoul Wallenberg.

John Weitz, Former Member, Executive Board

Raoul Wallenberg exemplifies human dignity. He also was not afraid to express his indignation against injustice. His acts of courage, creativity and compassion proved that one person can make a difference. Now it is our turn to make a difference in our own world and our own time.

Dr. Kathleen Morin, Heroes Curriculum Consultant

RAOUL WALLENBERG: A HERO FOR OUR TIME

A Curriculum to Establish a Tradition of Courage for Generations to Come

The Heroes Curriculum is targeted for schools nationwide, community, and interfaith programs. It will be generic, adaptable to environments as varied as inner city schools and small rural communities. The Hero's kit will contain videos, a curriculum guide and a range of suggested programs that encourage interaction between students, teachers, parents and community. Because Wallenberg risked his life for a people not his own, the Heroes Curriculum will lend itself to diffusing religious and racial differences. The project will encourage the introduction of heroes from diverse groups, stressing that role models of compassionate heroism come from every ethnic community and religious persuasion. The Heroes Curriculum is being developed to help insure a better future for our children and for the world in which we all must live.

Raoul Wallenberg's heroism offers a striking example for today's children. From his story, young people learn that one is not born a hero, but becomes a hero by responding to challenging situations. Wallenberg's heroism was creative and non-violent. He often acted spontaneously to rescue those in danger, improvising with only minutes to spare. He used his mind, artistic talents, contacts, organizational and negotiating skills to address a dangerous task. He gave the best of himself for others, an important example to which children respond. We believe that in daily life, there are many individuals who also act with compassionate heroism. Role models, such as Raoul Wallenberg, can help young people learn to identify *the Hero* in others -- as well as in themselves.

To The Raoul Wallenberg Committee

Dear President Bush,

Everybody thinks you are a great president and in my eyes you are. Everybody think you can do everything you put your mind to and again in my eyes this is true. Just in my eyes there happens to be one, just one, big thing wrong that you can fix up. This thing is finding out and investigating about what really happened to Raoul Wallenberg. I thank you very much for reading my letter.

Sincerely,

Adam Marmelstein

P.S. I'm 12 years old and go to S.A.R. Academy

To Whom It May Concern at the Raoul Wallenberg Committee: I'm writing to tell you how glad I am to see you writing about Wallenberg. As for my opinion I personally think Raoul Wallenberg is still alive and in prison. A lot of people think Raoul is dead but not me and I'm going to try to do everything I can possibly do which probably isn't so where near enough to prove he's alive. The truth of the matter is that Raoul Wallenberg is still alive because of what a lot of people have been saying which is "I saw him the night of his disappearance and after that". Raoul might not be alive but I think he is alive and maybe in poor condition. So, please don't give up for searching for Raoul Wallenberg because I truly and honestly believe he is still alive and nothing or anybody can ever change my mind.

P.S. I'm starting a competition to see how many people think he is alive or dead?

Thank you,
for your time
and consideration
Rosa Hoyer

2420 Main Street
Cambria, California 93428

May 10, 1989

Mrs. Rachel Oestreicher Haspel
President
The Raoul Wallenberg Committee
of the United States
127 East 73rd Street
New York, New York 10021

Dear Mrs. Haspel,

I wrote you a letter on December 29th requesting information on Raoul Wallenberg for my History Day project. I just wanted to thank you for all your help. The information you sent me was very useful. I used many of the pictures from the booklets for my video. Your opinion on whether Wallenberg was shaped by history or whether Wallenberg made history was also of great help to me.

As for my project, it has become a great success. I was able to find two Holocaust survivors to interview who lived in Budapest at that time. Mr. Peter C. Tardos from San Francisco and Mr. Tibor Vayda from Carlsbad, Calif., who had actually worked with Wallenberg. They were both very interesting people and a real privilege to meet. These interviews plus pictures and my script have turned out a winning media project. I received first place awards at our school, county, and state competitions. Now I am headed to Washington, D.C. on June 13th for the national competition.

As I wrote you in my last letter, my goal has not only been to produce a good History Day project but to let more people know about Raoul Wallenberg and his incredible accomplishments. I feel like I have helped more people believe that one individual can make a tremendous difference by using Wallenberg as an example. It makes me feel good to know that people are beginning to know who Raoul Wallenberg is through my project.

Working with such a topic as Raoul Wallenberg has been exciting for me as I can imagine it must be for you. Every person I have come into contact with regarding Wallenberg has been extremely generous and very willing to help. It has made this project a very positive and rewarding experience.

Thank you again for all your help. I will send you a copy of my video as soon as my final revision for National History Day is made.

Sincerely,

Bethany R. Hilder

Bethany R. Hilder

April 11, 1991

To Premier Gorbachov:

I learned today that there is a man in your prison who of all people does not belong. I don't care who you are and my opinion wouldn't change if you were the master of the world. My beliefs will never be changed. Raoul Wallenberg is a man of compassion. The way every man should be. His life and well being is in the palm of your hand. Raoul Wallenberg voluntarily saved 100,000 of my people's lives. He deserves much more than he is getting. He deserves to be freed.

Now, Mr. Gorbachov, the choice is yours. You can crumple this letter up and throw it out, or you can take the time to try and think about how I feel.

Sincerely,
Amy Weiner, 11 Years old
SAR Academy New York, New York

Premier Gorbachev,

Raoul Wallenberg is the reason I'm writing. I just recently learned of the courage of this great man, Raoul Wallenberg. He saved lives. 100,000 in fact. People would of died, innocent people if it wasn't for this incredible human being. He deserves to be honored. How can we do that (honor him) if we don't know where and how he died if he did. We need something to prove he died. You must investigate this happening. Please, investigate. A man with so much courage deserves honor and respect. You would not lose anything if you investigated his death or how he died if he did. Tell us more Gorbachev. Tell us more!

Sincerely,

Paul Babchuk

Age 11 (to be 12 in the 23rd of April)
From the school S. J. R.

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Office of the Headmaster

January 11, 1991

Rachel O. Haspel
455 E. 57th Street
New York, NY 10022

Dear Rachel,

In spite of your parting words, I write to thank you for your hospitality, your warmth, and your conversation the other night and morning. It was truly a great pleasure to come to the city and be taken care of so graciously.

While waiting in the airport for one of my two cancelled flights on Wednesday, I had ample time to complete some work and to read the Wallenberg material which you gave to me. I found myself quite moved by the biography, despite the bustle of humanity around me. What you and your colleagues are doing is very important. You are absolutely right when you say that his sacrifice can and must be mined as a redemptive exemplar - a hero for our time, one in whom young people can know the dimensions of true courage. Reading these materials and talking with you have stimulated some thoughts about ways to bring something important to Academy students. I will let you know some more about it as the inchoate takes shape in my addled brain.

Again, thanks for everything. Please give my best to Samantha. Until the next time, I remain

Sincerely,

David C. Black
David C. Black
Headmaster

DCB/af

210 Lyndoff Rd.
New Rochelle, N.Y. 10804
April 11, 1991

Dear Mrs. Wallenberg,

Thank you for coming to our school and speaking about your cousin, Raoul Wallenberg. I was deeply moved, and surprised that nobody had made any moves to get him out. I hope his health is okay, even though the Russians don't say so. I have already written a letter to President Bush trying to encourage him to do something about it. I hope someone will find some leads on the location of your cousin.

Sincerely,
Gabi Benet.

87 Leighton Avenue
Yonkers, N.Y. 10705
April 11, 1991

Dear Mrs. Haspel,

First of all I would like to say how wonderful I think your organization is. Second of all I would like to say that you are one of the best speakers I have ever heard. Your descriptive story about Raoul Wallenberg deeply moved me. I hope that President Bush will listen to my request about finding Mr. Wallenberg. Before you came I knew a little bit about Raoul Wallenberg but I was still a little vague on the subject, but you made it all clear. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Aliza Hirschman
Age 11, 6th grade
SJA/R Academy

"A Tribute to Raoul Wallenberg"

Traveling Exhibition

October, 1982	Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields London, England Opened by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher	June, 1988	The Oregon Holocaust Memorial Center Portland, Oregon
March, 1985	The New York Public Library New York, New York	July, 1988	Gallery of the Bank of Fresno Kingsburg Chamber of Commerce Kingsburg, California
April, 1985	Swedish American Institute Minneapolis, Minnesota	November, 1988	Scandinavian Club of Columbus Columbus Public Library Columbus, Ohio
June, 1985	University of Michigan Alumni Center Ann Arbor, Michigan	December, 1988	The Swedish Council of St. Louis and the St. Louis Center for Holocaust Studies St. Louis, Missouri
September, 1985	The New Jersey State Museum Trenton, New Jersey	January, 1989	Rockford College Rockford, Illinois
November, 1986	Greater Baltimore Jewish Community Center Baltimore, Maryland	February, 1989	The Jewish Museum Berkeley, California
April, 1987	Swedish American Museum Center Chicago, Illinois	March, 1989	The Jewish Arts Foundation Governmental Center Palm Beach, Florida
June, 1987	The Mizel Museum Denver, Colorado	March, 1989	Fort Campbell Department of the Army Ft. Campbell, Kentucky
October, 1987	The Cannon Rotunda The United States Congress Washington, D.C.	January, 1990	South Florida Science Museum Palm Beach, Florida
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April 17, 1991

Rachel Oestricher Haspel, President
The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States
245 Park Avenue - 38th Floor
New York, New York 10167

Dear Rachel:

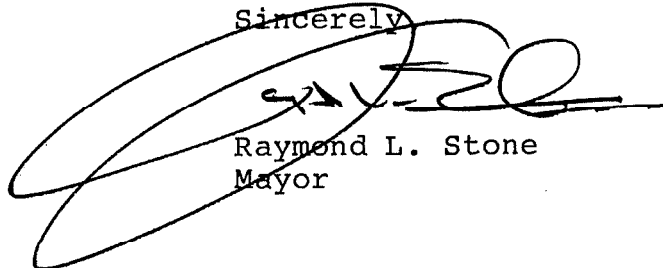
It is my pleasure to write this letter of support for the program that the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States has offered to people and cities in the United States of America.

The award to the City of Coeur d' Alene has been meaningful in many different ways, not in the sense of the monetary award alone, but the changing attitudes among the people that were established by the very fact that we received such a prestigious award. The citizens now are upbeat about being alert to those people who would pervert the constitutional principles of the United States. They are extremely alert to any of those people who would use race or religion as a basis for passing judgment on people's behavior and they are attuned to being a happy, open-type of community where everyone is welcomed and everyone feels free to express their opinions even with those with whom we may strongly disagree.

At the Library, we have a special section for Human Rights. That special section was first established by monies granted to us by your organization. Each year now, we have our Days of Remembrance celebration and each year, the need for those kind of books goes onward and upward. Our young children are having an opportunity to read and to study and to know about the atrocities that were committed so many years ago and we feel that the young people, specifically, have gained a great deal from this award.

Please rest assured that the City of Coeur d' Alene also received another award from the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council which added to our encompassing an attitude, I think, of strength and a strong feeling that we are all part of mankind. When people take a stand for what is right, then communities and people within those communities, possess an attitude that is part of the strength of America.

Sincerely,



Raymond L. Stone
Mayor



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