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Hartford Public Library Celebrates Annual Days of Remembrance

HARTFORD CT (April 29, 2011) — Hartford Public Library announced today that the Library will commemorate Days of Remembrance, our nation's annual commemoration of the Holocaust, with an exhibition from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum entitled **Justice and Accountability in the Face of Genocide: What Have We Learned?** The exhibition, which will run from May 2 through May 7 will be displayed at the Downtown Library, 500 Main Street.

Matt Poland, the Library's chief executive officer, said: "We should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and as Americans we should continuously rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society."

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About the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

A living memorial to the Holocaust, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum inspires citizens and leaders worldwide to confront hatred, promote human dignity, and prevent genocide. A public-private partnership, federal support guarantees the Museum's permanence, and its far-reaching educational programs and global impact are made possible by donors nationwide. Since its dedication in 1993, the Museum has welcomed more than 30 million visitors, including more than 9 million school children and 91 heads of state. Today 90 percent of the Museum's visitors are not Jewish, and our Web site, the world's leading online authority on the Holocaust, on average receives visits from over 100 different countries daily. With hundreds of thousands of online visitors from countries with majority Muslim populations, translating our Web site into Arabic and Farsi is a top priority; already, portions are available in more than 20 languages. For more information, please visit www.ushmm.org.

About Hartford Public Library:

The Hartford Public Library traces its roots to 1774. It operates 10 locations in the City of Hartford. The Library receives more than 860,000 visits per year. Services include access to a large collection of materials for reading and research, as well as music and video. Programs provide education, information and enrichment to the people of Hartford in such areas as citizenship training, literacy, business skills and cultural awareness. The mission of Hartford Public Library is to provide free resources that inspire reading, guide learning, and encourage individual exploration. For more information, please visit www.hplct.org.