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**The Federal Inter-Agency Holocaust Remembrance Committee Holds Its
Twenty-Third Annual Holocaust Remembrance Program**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Federal Inter-Agency Holocaust Remembrance Committee will hold its 23rd annual Holocaust Remembrance Program at the Lincoln Theatre located at 1215 U Street, NW, Washington, DC, on May 4, 2016 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

The program, “Survive, Thrive, Make a Difference,” is designed to provide eyewitness testimony to what should never be forgotten and share the stories of survivors who have made meaningful contributions to society while overcoming evil:

- Marion Ingram, who grew up as a Jewish child of interfaith parents in Nazi Germany, survived both the Holocaust and the firebombing of her hometown of Hamburg. She recounts the infamous 1943 bombing of her town in her memoir, *The Hands of War* (2013). Ms. Ingram became a civil rights activist after moving to the United States, and *The Hands of Peace* (2015) documents her involvement in fighting discrimination in the South.
- Rubin Sztajer was born in Klobuck, Poland. In 1942, at age 16, he was taken away from his home, never to see his parents or three of his siblings again. He was imprisoned at Markstadt, Funfeichen, and Bergen Belsen camps in Germany. After a close brush with death, liberation came, and he arrived in Baltimore in 1949. Since then, Ruben has spoken to thousands of school children, educating them about the Holocaust and describing his personal experiences.

Our program also features a short film on the life of Ruth Gruber, American journalist and rescuer. Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health Dr. David Michaels, representing the Gruber family, will introduce the film clip.

We are honored to have as our moderator the distinguished Stuart E. Eizenstat, Special Advisor to the Secretary of State for Holocaust Issues and Senior Counsel at Covington & Burling LLP. The program also includes the 6th in the City Chorus, a Jewish gospel choir that exemplifies the decades-old relationship between Turner Memorial AME Church and the Sixth & I Historic Synagogue.

For more information, please visit: <http://holocaustremembrance.org/>

The program is open to the public and admission is free.

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The Holocaust survivors, rescuers, liberators, resisters, witnesses, and relatives of these individuals remind us of what can happen if prejudice, hate, and intolerance against any individual or group of people are not challenged by each one of us.