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LINBECK CELEBRATES COMPLETION OF HOLOCAUST MUSEUM HOUSTON DANISH BOAT EXHIBIT

Linbeck Group, LP (Linbeck) has completed installation of the Holocaust Museum Houston's rare Holocaust-era artifact--an authentic fishing boat of the type used to ferry over 7,000 Jews and 700 others from small towns along the Danish coast to safety in Sweden. The boat is part of the museum's permanent exhibition "Bearing Witness: A Community Remembers."

This is the second exhibit Linbeck has completed for the museum. In early 2007, a Holocaust-era railcar exhibit was installed to help the Museum teach students and other visitors the continuing importance of each individual's responsibility to act when confronted with injustice. Attendance at the Museum has increased more than 25 percent since the railcar's installation.

The power of the combination of the railcar and the boat exhibits is that they draw the viewer into the experience from the position of both perpetrator and rescuer," says Linbeck vice president, Wendy Burke. "You can't walk through these exhibits without being touched on a very personal level. We know what happened and that knowledge gives us the power to effect a change now. This exhibit allows every visitor to leave with a sense of hope and purpose."

Built in 1942 in Denmark and carrying the signal letters XP 2853, the fishing boat – 37.1 feet long, 13.9 feet wide and 5.7 feet deep – was located, documented and acquired after an extensive effort spanning several years. "Helping to bring this precious artifact to Houston was an honor," says Bryan Tufts, the project manager for Linbeck. Placing the boat and preparing the space were opportunities to remember, to be thankful, and to show tribute to those whose lives were forever changed through the pain of the Holocaust."

The Houston exhibit was made possible by generous support from diverse groups. The boat was located and donated to the Museum by the ship brokerage firm of N.B. Ferdinandsen & Sons A/S in Gilleleje, Denmark. The boat was refurbished in Denmark by Gilleleje Badebyggeri. Project funding was provided locally by The Smith Foundation and the Consulate of the Kingdom of Denmark.



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Architectural services were donated by Mark S. Mucasey and Associates, A.P. Moller-Maersk A/S provided transport from Denmark, and Linbeck donated construction management services. Painting services for the project were provided by Troop 1190 of the Boy Scouts of America.

Formal dedication ceremonies, open to the public, are scheduled for 3 p.m. Sunday, January 20, 2008 at the museum at 5401 Caroline St. in Houston's Museum District.

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About Holocaust Museum Houston

Holocaust Museum Houston opened in March 1996 and has experienced steady growth since. More than 1 million visitors have passed through its doors. The Museum promotes awareness and educates the public of the dangers of prejudice, hatred and apathy against the backdrop of the Holocaust by fostering remembrance, understanding and education.

For more information about Holocaust Museum Houston or this exhibit, call 713-942-8000 or visit www.hmh.org.