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October 31, 1988

Dear Mr. Starkopf and Mr. Kogan:

On behalf of the President and Mrs. Reagan, thank you for your recent invitation.

You were very kind to extend this opportunity to the President and First Lady. I regret to write that, due to already heavily committed schedules, they will be unable to accept your invitation. However, they asked me to convey to you their best wishes and appreciation for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR.  
Assistant to the President

Mr. Adam<sup>\*</sup> Starkopf  
Mr. Abe<sup>\*</sup> Kogan  
Chairmen  
Erna J. Gans Banquet  
Holocaust Memorial Foundation  
of Illinois  
4255 West Main Street  
Skokie, Illinois 60076

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Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ table(s) or \_\_\_\_\_ places for the HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL FOUNDATION OF ILLINOIS BANQUET, honoring ERNA I. GANS, November 13, 1988, at HOTEL SOFITEL, 5550 River Rd. Rosemont.

\$150.00 per person    \$300.00 per couple    \$1,500.00 a table of ten

Enclosed please find a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE RESERVE \_\_\_\_\_ PLATES \_\_\_\_\_

RECEPTION, 5 P.M.

BANQUET, 6 P.M.

\_\_\_\_\_ Prime Rib of Beef

\_\_\_\_\_ White Fish

Dietary Laws Observed

**R.S.V.P. before November 7, 1988**

I cannot attend the dinner but would like to contribute toward the educational projects and programs of the Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois in the amount of

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions made to the HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL FOUNDATION of ILLINOIS are TAX DEDUCTIBLE

**TOTAL GUESTS ATTENDING**

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*Erna I. Gans Banquet  
Adam Starkopf, Abe Kogan Chairmen  
c/o Holocaust Memorial Foundation Of Illinois  
4255 W. Main Street  
Skokie, Illinois 60076*

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THE HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL FOUNDATION OF ILLINOIS was founded in the Spring of 1981. It was created to teach the value of human dignity and to remind the world of the atrocities and the murder of Six Million Jews and Six Million non-Jews.

In July 1984 the physical facilities for the Museum and Resource Center were opened to implement these goals. We are recognized as the Midwest representative of Yad Vashem in Jerusalem.

In a few short years of existence, our membership has grown from a handful of dedicated SURVIVORS to thousands of SUPPORTERS, JEWS and NON-JEWS from all walks of life, people who have in common a sense of obligation to the past, to the memory of those who perished, and the commitment to the vision of a humane future.

Our ongoing educational programs emphasize the historical significance and the ethical and moral implications of the HOLOCAUST.

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*The Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois*

*Proudly Honors*



**ERNA I. GANS**

## ERNA I. GANS

Erna I. Gans is currently President and Founder of the Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois. She was appointed by President Reagan to the United States Memorial Council, Washington, D.C. in May 1987. She was elected Vice President of B'nai B'rith District Six, the first woman to hold this position in the history of B'nai B'rith, and is a member of the B'nai B'rith International Unit Committee, and a Board member of the ADL, Chicago. Mrs. Gans is President of International Label and Printing Company.

For ten years she served as Chairman of the Skokie Youth Welfare Commission and was President of the Dr. Janusz Korczak B'nai B'rith Unit. Mrs. Gans has two married sons, Alan and Dr. Howard, and four grandchildren. She received a B.A. Degree from Roosevelt University and a M.A. from Loyola University. Roosevelt University presented the Edward J. Sparling Award to her in May 1987.

## DR. FRANKLIN H. LITTELL

Dr. Franklin Hamlin Littell, often referred to as "The Father of Holocaust Studies in America," is Emeritus Professor of Religion at Temple University and Professor in the Institute of Contemporary Jewry, Hebrew University, Jerusalem. From 1958-1983 he was Consultant on Religion and Higher Education in the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He is a Founder and Honorary Chairman of the Anne Frank Institute of Philadelphia. He is a member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, Washington, D.C. In 1980 he received the Jabotinsky Medal from Prime Minister Begin for his work on behalf of Israel and in furthering Christian/Jewish understanding. In July 1988 he participated in the International Conference in Oxford and London, England, "Remembering for the Future: The Impact of the Holocaust and Genocide on Jews and Christians," with over five hundred scholars, survivors and distinguished participants from all over the world.

*The Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois  
cordially invites you to its*

## Third Annual Humanitarian Award Banquet Honoring

### Erna I. Gans

Sunday, November 13, 1988

Reception 5:00 p.m. — Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Hotel Sofitel, 5550 North River Rd., Rosemont, IL

Greetings by

Hon. Uri Bar-Ner, Consul Gen. of Israel

Guest Speaker

Dr. Franklin H. Littell

Reception & Dinner Music By David Romaine

Hon. Jacqueline B. Gorell, Mayor, Skokie

Albert J. Smith, Mayor Retired

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Jack Silbert - Bela Korn

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Couvert \$150—per person

Dietary Laws Observed

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