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Honorable guests, participants of the Orchard Lake Polish Mission, gathered at the Exhibition “Forbidden Art” to commemorate 69th Anniversary of the Liberation of Auschwitz.

How much is enough memory? When have we done enough for the memory of the Jews and others murdered at Auschwitz and in so many other killing sites throughout German occupied Europe.

We can never do enough. And yet it is imperative that we do something. Any program, exhibition, film, lecture that teaches, reminds and pushes us to remember what happened during the Shoah is the next important step in our communal moral obligation to remember and never forget.

This is why I am so honored to be able to have more words as part of your commemoration today. Thank you for including me in this essential part of our worldwide obligation to remember.

Thank you for enabling so many people to see extraordinary exhibition of Forbidden Art. Remembering the Holocaust can easily overwhelm a person. Looking at the exhibition of Forbidden Art one is immediately struck on how the human spirit perseveres and creates even in the most horrible situations. If they never gave up, we certainly can never give up in remembering their lives and what they created.

We will never forget because you are here tonight.

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