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**The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum
-- in commemoration of the 75th anniversary of
Franklin D. Roosevelt's "Four Freedoms" Speech --
will present "FDR's Four Freedoms":
A Conversation with Alexander Heffner and Harvey Kaye
Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home**

HYDE PARK, NY -- In commemoration of the 75th anniversary of Franklin D. Roosevelt's "Four Freedoms" Speech, the FDR Presidential Library will present **"FDR's Four Freedoms": A Conversation with Alexander Heffner (host of PBS's *The Open Mind*) and Harvey Kaye (author of The Fight for the Four Freedoms: What Made FDR and the Greatest Generation Truly Great)** on Wednesday, January 6, 2016. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home. This is a free public event, and is available by webcast at www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu.

Alexander Heffner and Harvey Kaye will discuss the significance of Franklin D. Roosevelt's January 6, 1941 articulation of the "Four Freedoms" -- freedom from want and from fear, and freedom of speech and religion -- and how the struggle to win these freedoms made the United States the richest and most powerful country on Earth. They will also explore how that struggle continues today and what lessons modern Americans can learn from President Roosevelt's leadership.

The program will include a screening of **newly enhanced versions of the Four Freedoms Speech** -- now available in high definition -- developed by the Roosevelt Library with the assistance of the National Archives Motion Picture Preservation Labs. The new video

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was transferred directly from the original 35mm film stock. Audio from the original disk recordings were then synced with the new video files to create an entirely new resource soon to be available online at www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu (with a 4K video is available upon special request from the Library).

Harvey J. Kaye is the Ben & Joyce Rosenberg Professor of Democracy and Justice Studies at the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay. He is the author and editor of numerous works, including The American Radical, Are We Good Citizens?, Thomas Paine and the Promise of America, and The Fight For The Four Freedoms: What Made FDR And The Greatest Generation Truly Great. Kaye teaches courses on American history, politics, and society.

Alexander Heffner is the host of *The Open Mind* on PBS and Fitzwater Fellow at Franklin Pierce University. He has covered the Millennial vote, American democracy and society since the 2008 presidential campaign. His work has been featured in *Variety*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and on CNN, C-SPAN, HuffPost Live and BBC, among other media outlets. His essays, reviews and op-eds have appeared in *Fortune*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *The Root*, among other publications. He was the political director for WHRB 95.3 FM and host of *The Political Arena*. A native New Yorker, he is a graduate of Andover and Harvard.

Please contact Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 or email clifford.laube@nara.gov with questions about the event.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum

Designed by Franklin Roosevelt and dedicated on June 30, 1941, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum is the nation's first presidential library and

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the only one used by a sitting president. Every president since FDR has followed his example and established a presidential library administered by the National Archives and Records Administration to preserve and make accessible to the American people the records of their presidencies. The Roosevelt Library's mission is to foster a deeper understanding of the lives and times of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt and their continuing impact on contemporary life. This work is carried out through the Library's archives and research room, museum collections and exhibitions, innovative educational programs, and engaging public programming. For more information about the Library or its programs call (800) 337-8474 or visit www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu.

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