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Pope John Paul II's Closest Friend Attends a Museum Opening in New York

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- Dr. Jerzy Kluger, the Jewish boy who grew up with Pope John Paul II, traveled to New York to initiate the opening of an historic exhibit: Pope John Paul II & the Jewish People- A Blessing to One Another. Dr. Kluger, member of the board of Pave the Way Foundation, the exhibit sponsor, attend this opening, along

with other distinguished guests, on September 6th at the Museum of Jewish Heritage at Battery Park. The exhibit will be at the museum until February 23rd, 2007.

Pave the Way Foundation brought this exhibit to the Museum in the furtherance of its mission to remove obstacles between the faiths by educating the everyday person and through its historic gestures of good will. This exhibit is a loving example of the bridge building and reconciliation of this great Pope. The exhibit has also been shown in Cincinnati, Ohio, at Xavier University and at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington, DC. "At a time when religious intolerance is the cause of almost every conflict on earth today, the world needs this message and a concrete example of how we should treat one another," said Elliot Hershberg, Chairman of Pave the Way Foundation. A Blessing to One Another, Pope John Paul and the Jewish People was created and produced by Xavier University (Cincinnati), Hillel Jewish Student Center (Cincinnati), and the Shtetl Foundation in New York

"We are thrilled to have been able to sponsor this exhibit," said Gary Krupp, President of Pave the Way Foundation. Along with our Board members from Italy Dr. Jerzy Kluger, Dr. Rolando Clementoni attended the opening. Dr. Clementoni is a senior Papal Chamberlain in service to the Vatican as a Gentleman of His Holiness, since 1963 when he was appointed for life by Pope John XIII. George Pataki Governor of the State of New York, Archbishop Celestino Migliore, Apostolic Nuncio and Permanent Observer to the United Nations and Bishop William Murphy, Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre also attended the gala opening.

About Pave the Way Foundation:

Pave the Way Foundation is dedicated to bridging the gap between religions through cultural, technological, and intellectual exchanges. The Foundation has a simple yet monumental vision: To enable all the world's religions to mutually realize that extremism, politics and personal agendas must not be allowed to poison the true benevolent message common to all faiths. Bigotry and hatred must be abolished by the faithful embracing their similarities and savoring their differences. More information on the Foundation can be found at www.ptwf.org.

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