



RICHARD BLUMENTHAL
UNITED STATES SENATOR

November 12, 2022

Dear Friends,

It is my honor to join you in commemorating the 85th Anniversary of the Town of Southbury bravely uniting against Nazi infiltration. This is a story of the power of standing up against hatred, a poison that has long plagued our nation and continues to this day.

Tonight we celebrate the courage and leadership of Reverend M.E.N. Lindsay, Reverend Felix Manley, First Selectman Ed Cord, and the townspeople who quickly established a zoning commission and enacting restrictions on land being used for military purposes, ensuring that a Nazi organization training facility could not be built in Southbury.

This remarkable act that was widely unknown until recent years has now garnered attention through inspiring documentaries and the beautiful children's book, '*Lois's Story*'. My hope is that we continue to spread and share this story, reminding future generations of just how powerful it can be when we come together to stand up for what is right and for one another.

Thank you to all those in attendance tonight as you remember and reflect on the salient messages that this story holds for us all! Enjoy the evening.

Sincerely,

Richard Blumenthal
United States Senator



Senator Richard Blumenthal
Connecticut

Certificate of Special Recognition

Presented to

The Town of Southbury

*In Honor of the 85th Anniversary of Southbury Saying No to Nazis,
Bravely Uniting to Bar the German American Bund from Town*

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