



December 28, 2020

Jack Feldman
16 Hidden Creek Circle
Pittsford, NY 14534

Dear Mr. Feldman:

Allow me to offer my heartfelt congratulations to you on the occasion of your 95th birthday on January 1. I was greatly touched by the story of your life. Your life's journey is sensitively documented in the Emmy award-winning HBO documentary, "The Number on Great Grandpa's Arm," prepared for the Museum of Jewish Heritage – with a remarkable interview by your great-grandson.

Born in Poland, at the age of 13 you were taken from the street and sent to a series of labor and death camps, including the infamous Auschwitz. At this young age you were separated from your parents, whom you never saw again. In 1944 at Auschwitz you were given the number 17606 and later sent on a death march from January until May 1945 when you and your fellow prisoners were finally liberated.

In 1949, you came to the United States with your wife Sally and son Sammy and settled in our City of Rochester. Here in 1955 you opened "Jack's Fish Market" and you were always generous to the community, because you knew how hunger felt. Your life is a testimony to the resiliency of the human heart and the importance of teaching kindness to others, despite your own experiences. This is evidenced by the love that flows between your family and especially your seven great-grandchildren who admire you so very much. Your story of survival helps to teach others the importance of being kind to each other and to stop hate wherever it may fester.

During your many years here in Rochester you have been an active and contributing member of our community. You have raised a loving family and dedicated yourself humbly to others in need. Your dedication to your family and friends cannot be overstated. As we look back in life, this characteristic will stand out as most important. Therefore, I send my best wishes and commend you for a well-lived 95 years. You are a blessing to all those who have encountered your generosity and loving spirit.



Sincerely,

Lovely A. Warren
Mayor, City of Rochester

