



**Sendler**

**Mr. Speaker,**

Today I pay tribute to a remarkable woman who touched the lives of over 2,500 people while unselfishly risking her own.

Ninety-eight-year-old Irena Sendler, passed away yesterday morning in Warsaw, Poland.

During World War II Irena led an underground Polish group that rescued 2,500 Jewish children from the Warsaw Ghetto during the Holocaust.

She was honored for her bravery as the 2003 winner of the Jan Karski award for Valor and Courage and then was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Last month the Prime Minister visited Auschwitz. In the museum's book of remembrance he wrote: "We are witnesses to the vestiges of unspeakable cruelty, horror and death. Let us never forget these and work always to prevent their repetition."

On behalf of the government of Canada, I offer my deepest condolences to Irena Sendler's family and all who were forever impacted by her generosity and selflessness.



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