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Welcome to this 44th New England Circle, another in a series of these gatherings inaugurated here in this hotel more than a decade ago.

As it has since that February evening in 1974, our purpose has remained steadfast: to provide a forum for the discussion of social, political, educational and literary topics that can lead to constructive change in our lives, our nation, and in our world.

The Circle's genesis goes back to the Nineteenth Century when Ralph Waldo Emerson, Charles Dickens, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and other literary lions of the day gathered regularly at the Parker House for meetings of the Saturday Club. Their lively exchange of opinions and ideas in a hospitable and informal setting are traditions that continue to influence today's Circles: private, non-profit gatherings that have welcomed almost 1900 members from every corner of the region. From the start, this setting has encouraged spirited and open exchanges between Circle discussion leaders and many Circle guests.

This evening's discussion leader is Isabel Morel Letelier, a tireless fighter on behalf of human rights in her native Chile, all of Latin America, and around the world. It was her efforts that were the key to releasing her husband from a Santiago jail following a Chilean military coup in 1973. A year later, the former Foreign Minister, Orlando Letelier, was freed and exiled with his wife and family. The couple moved to Washington, D.C., where, in 1976, Orlando Letelier and an associate were assassinated by a bomb that destroyed the family car.

Instead of silencing Isabel Letelier, the murder of her husband gave even greater urgency to her commitment on behalf of human rights. "We are all people," she has said many times since, "working for a just society, a very simple idea which allows us to enjoy being alive. We must all be able to say: I was here, I saw injustice, I saw repression, I saw my brothers and sisters hungry, and I did something."

Isabel Letelier has demonstrated for all of us just what "doing something" means to her. Not only has she taken her call for greater efforts on behalf of human rights to scores of American colleges, universities, church groups and civic organizations, but she continues to wage an active organizational battle as the director of Human Rights and Third World Women's Projects at the Institute for Policy Studies, where she is a Senior Fellow.

Please welcome this dedicated worker for social justice, Isabel Letelier.

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