

# **RECORDED BOOKS**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

Editorial Contact:

Jean Stephens – Recorded Books

800-638-1304 – x1144

[jstephens@recordedbooks.com](mailto:jstephens@recordedbooks.com)

Michael Stugrin – Hights Cross

562-498-6353

[mstugrin@earthlink.net](mailto:mstugrin@earthlink.net)

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Recorded Books Offers Inauguration Lesson Plans and Free Audio**

Prince Frederick, MD, January 20, 2009—Recorded Books, LLC, the world’s premier publisher of unabridged audiobooks, is offering a free audio download of the Gettysburg Address and an audio excerpt from *The Kid Who Became President*, by Dan Gutman. This unique offering coincides with the 2009 Presidential Inauguration.

Downloadable lesson plans accompany each audio excerpt, providing exercises and activities to help students think critically and make connections to the 2009 inauguration, which is themed “A New Birth of Freedom” in celebration of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lincoln’s birth. Teachers can download these and other free audio excerpts from the blog at <http://recordedbooks.wordpress.com>.

The blog also contains a valuable list of links to outside sources that will help extend the lessons provided, such as links to the Official Inauguration Website, transcripts of past presidents’ inaugural addresses, and several of Barack Obama’s recent speeches on YouTube. Teachers can download the audio excerpts, lesson plans, and worksheets at <http://recordedbooks.wordpress.com>.

Dan Gutman is an acclaimed author of children’s books, including *The Kid Who Became President*, *The Kid Who Ran for President*, *Honus and Me*, and *The Million-Dollar Shot*, all of which are available as unabridged audiobooks from Recorded Books.

#### **About Recorded Books:**

Recorded Books, LLC, a Hights Cross Communications company, produces and distributes unabridged audiobooks and other audio products to public and university libraries and schools on CD, cassette and Playaway. Over 8,500 titles are available for adults, children, and young adults in English and Spanish languages narrated by professional, award-winning actors. Recorded Books also distributes music, educational

lectures, independent films, and nonfiction films on DVD. Packaging is designed for high circulation. One-year warranty, cataloging, processing, and free MARC records are available. For more information, visit [www.recordedbooks.com](http://www.recordedbooks.com).

**Safe Harbor Statement:**

This press release contains forward-looking statements which you can identify by terms such as “subject to”, “might”, and similar expressions intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements regarding the Company’s plans, objectives, expectations and intentions. Such statements include, without limitation, statements regarding: the Company’s ability to refinance its term loans. These statements reflect our current views with respect to future events and are based on assumptions and subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements. Factors that may cause our actual results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements include, among others, factors identified by us in documents filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission including those set forth in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, under the caption “Risk Factors”. These uncertainties and other factors may cause our actual outcome of the transactions discussed in this release to be materially different from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements. In light of these uncertainties, there can be no assurance that the events and circumstances described in forward-looking statements contained in this press release will in fact occur. You should read this press release completely and with the understanding that our actual results may be materially different from what we expect. We will not update these forward-looking statements, even though our situation may change in the future. We qualify all of our forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements.