

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945; and

WHEREAS, while Jews were the primary victims, many others also suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi tyranny; and

WHEREAS, the history and the personal accounts of survivors of the Holocaust reminds us to reflect on the responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments in the face of grave injustice; and

WHEREAS, annual Days of Remembrance provide an opportunity to remember the victims of the Holocaust while reflecting on the need for tolerance and respect of all people; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Act of Congress (Public Law 96-388, October 7, 1980), the United States Holocaust Memorial Council designates the Days of Remembrance of the victims of the Holocaust to be Sunday, May 1 through Sunday, May 8, 2016, including the Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah on May 5, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 1-8, 2016, as

DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to remember the victims and honor the survivors of the Holocaust, as well as their rescuers and liberators, while working to overcome the intolerance and inhumanity that continue to exist in the world today.



Handwritten signature of Nikki R. Haley in black ink.

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA