



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

- WHEREAS:** On this day in 1945, the Red Army liberated the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, freeing the more than 7,000 individuals who were imprisoned there; and
- WHEREAS:** Just days earlier, the Schutzstaffel, commonly known as the SS, forced nearly 60,000 prisoners to move out of the concentration camp and undertake the infamous Death Marches, which claimed thousands of innocent lives; and
- WHEREAS:** On November 1, 2005, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution to establish January 27th as an International Day of Commemoration in memory of the Holocaust victims — the day upon which the world will remember the Holocaust and its victims each year; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Commission on the Holocaust was established to remember the victims of one of the world's most horrific tragedies and promote greatest public awareness of the history surrounding it; and
- WHEREAS:** On International Holocaust Remembrance Day and throughout the year, we honor Georgia Holocaust survivors and liberators, and we further encourage all citizens to promote human dignity and rebuke evil and hatred whenever and wherever it occurs; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim January 27, 2021, as INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 27th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



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GOVERNOR

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