

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## **HOLOCAUST DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE**

WHEREAS:

The Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry and other minorities by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945 in which six million Jews were murdered and Roma, people with disabilities, and Poles were also targeted for racial, ethnic, or national reasons. Millions more also suffered grievous oppression

and death under Nazi tyranny; and

WHEREAS:

The history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments and the need for

respect of all peoples; and

WHEREAS:

We the people of the State of Georgia should examine the roles average citizens played during the Holocaust and pledge to become more active participants in our schools, communities, and in our democracy as we ensure that "Never again" is more than a phrase. We must remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and genocide and actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

WHEREAS:

The Georgia Commission on the Holocaust, established to preserve the memory and promote public understanding of this painful history, has designated "The Promise of America" as the theme of the 2022 Georgia Days of Remembrance; and

WHEREAS:

These Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the people of the State of Georgia to remember the victims and honor the survivors, rescuers, and liberators of the Holocaust; now

THEREFORE:

I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 24 – 30, 2022 as HOLOCAUST DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE, and further proclaim that we, as citizens of the State of Georgia, should work to promote human dignity and confront hate whenever and wherever it occurs.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 14th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

