



# *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—six million were murdered; roma (gypsies), people with disabilities, and Poles were also targeted for destruction or decimation for racial, ethnic or national reasons; and millions more, including homosexuals, Jehovah's Witnesses, Soviet prisoners of war, Catholic priests and nuns and political dissidents, 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

**WHEREAS**, we the people of the Town of Davie should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny; and

**WHEREAS**, we the people of the Town of Davie should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the people of the Town of Davie to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect for all peoples; 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, 2011, including the Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah, May 1, 2011;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie do hereby proclaim the week of Sunday, May 1 through Sunday, May 8, 2011, as Day of Remembrance in memory of the victims of the Holocaust and in honor of the survivors as well as the rescuers and liberators, and further proclaim that we, as citizens of the Town of Davie, should work to promote human dignity and confront hate whenever and wherever it occurs.

## **DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of April, 2011.

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**Judy Paul, Mayor**