



STATE OF NEW MEXICO **EXECUTIVE OFFICE** SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

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. JEWS WERE THE PRIMARY VICTIMS — SIX MILLION WERE MURDERED; GYPSIES, THE HANDICAPPED AND POLES WERE ALSO TARGETED FOR DESTRUCTION OR DECIMATION FOR RACIAL, ETHNIC OR NATIONAL REASONS. MILLIONS MORE, INCLUDING HOMOSEXUALS, JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, SOVIET PRISONERS OF WAR 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 STATE OF NEW MEXICO SHOULD ALWAYS REMEMBER THE TERRIBLE EVENTS OF THE HOLOCAUST AND REMAIN VIGILANT AGAINST HATRED, PERSECUTION AND TYRANNY; AND

WHEREAS, WE THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO 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 STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO REMEMBER THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST AS WELL AS TO REFLECT ON THE NEED FOR RESPECT OF 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 1ST THROUGH SUNDAY, MAY 8TH, 2011, INCLUDING THE DAY OF REMEMBRANCE KNOWN AS YOM HASHOAH, MAY 1ST, 2011;

NOW, THEREFORE I, SUSANA MARTINEZ, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MAY 1ST THROUGH MAY 8TH, 2011 AS

“DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE”

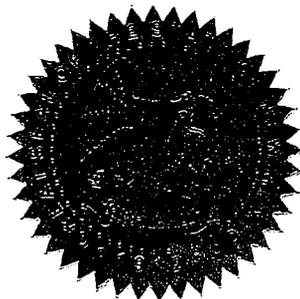
THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST AND IN HONOR OF THE SURVIVORS, AS WELL AS RESCUERS AND LIBERATORS, AND FURTHER PROCLAIM THAT WE, AS CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, SHOULD WORK TO PROMOTE HUMAN DIGNITY AND CONFRONT HATE WHENEVER AND WHEREVER IT OCCURS.

ATTEST:

SIGNED AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE THIS
7TH DAY OF APRIL 2011.

DIANNA J. DURAN
SECRETARY OF STATE

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.



SUSANA MARTINEZ
GOVERNOR