

PROCLAMATION

Proclaiming May 1 – 8, 2011 as Holocaust Days of Remembrance

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators, between 1933 and 1945, when six million were murdered; and

WHEREAS, 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, and political dissidents, also suffered oppression and death under Nazi tyranny; and

WHEREAS, we the people of the City of Union City should always remember the events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny, and 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 City of Union City 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 for 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, I, Mark Green, Mayor of the City of Union City, hereby proclaim the week of Sunday, May 1 through Sunday, May 8, 2011, as Days of Remembrance in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, and in honor of the survivors, and the rescuers, and liberators; and, further proclaim that we, as citizens of the City of Union City, should work to promote human dignity and confront hate whenever and wherever it occurs.

DATED: May 1, 2011



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Green", is written over a horizontal line.

Mark Green, Mayor