

Proclamation

DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

April 15th – 22nd 2012

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, 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, the people of the Township of Brick should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and

WHEREAS, the people of the Township of Brick should actively rededicate ourselves to the principals of individual freedom in a just society; and

WHEREAS, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the people of the Township of Brick to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all peoples; and

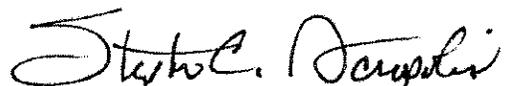
WHEREAS, pursuant to an Act of Congress (Public Law 96-388, October 7, 1980), the United States Holocaust Memorial Council designates the Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust to be Sunday, April 15 through Sunday, April 22, 2012 including the Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah, April 19, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stephen C. Acropolis, Mayor of the Township of Brick, in the County of Ocean, in the State of New Jersey, in memory of the victims of the Holocaust and in honor of the survivors, as well as the rescuers and liberators, do hereby proclaim the week of Sunday, April 15 through Sunday, April 22, 2012 to be

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in the Township of Brick and I call upon all citizens of Brick Township to make a commitment to promoting human dignity and confront hate whenever it occurs.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature on the fifth day of April 2012.


Mayor Stephen C. Acropolis

