

PROCLAMATION

DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

April 15 – 21, 2012

“NEVER AGAIN!”

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, we the people of the Village of Mount Prospect always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and

WHEREAS, we the people of the Village of Mount Prospect 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 Village of Mount Prospect 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 Saturday, April 21, 2012, including the **DAY OF REMEMBRANCE** known as Yom Hashoah, April 19, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Irvana K. Wilks, Mayor of the Village of Mount Prospect do hereby proclaim the week of Sunday, April 15 through Saturday, April 21, 2012, as

“DAYS 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 Village of Mount Prospect should work to promote human dignity and confront hate whenever and wherever it occurs.



Irvana K. Wilks
Mayor

Attest:



M. Lisa Angell
Village Clerk

