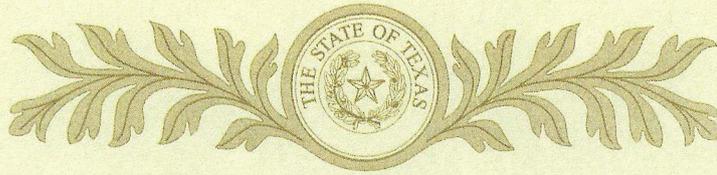


The State of Texas



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Houston Holocaust March of Remembrance is being held April 21, 2012, to pay tribute to the memory of Holocaust victims, honor survivors and descendants, and remember those who risked their lives to save others; and

WHEREAS, Between 1933 and 1945, Nazi Germany carried out the systematic persecution and annihilation of six million European Jews, as well as millions of other innocent people; although many perished, it is estimated that some 175,000 Holocaust survivors live in the United States today; the March of Remembrance provides a welcome opportunity to recognize these brave individuals and their families and to hear their remarkable stories; and

WHEREAS, Hosted by seven Kingwood churches, the March of Remembrance also brings together people of all faiths in an effort to seek reconciliation and the renewal of a deeper faith in humanity; following an opening ceremony at Kingwood United Methodist, participants will pass points of reflection as they walk to St. Martha Catholic Church for a memorial service; Ruth Steinfeld, who survived the horrors of a concentration camp, will offer the keynote speech, and Dr. Hy Penn and Simon Wellner, both children of Holocaust survivors, will also share their loved ones' experiences; and

WHEREAS, The tragic events of the Holocaust remind us of the importance of remaining vigilant against injustice and violence and of defending the fundamental rights of freedom and equality for all; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2012 Holocaust March of Remembrance in Houston be commemorated and that all those associated with the event be extended sincere gratitude for their efforts to educate others about the Holocaust.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie Riddle".

Debbie Riddle
State Representative
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