

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 143

Senator Obhof

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Governor's Thirty-seventh Annual Holocaust
Commemoration, May 17, 2017.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General 1
Assembly of Ohio solemnly recognize the Governor's Thirty-seventh 2
Annual Holocaust Commemoration, May 17, 2017; and 3

WHEREAS, On this momentous occasion, when we ceremonially 4
reflect upon the staggering events and life-shattering 5
consequences of the Holocaust, we ponder one of humanity's most 6
anguished collective memories, a malevolently orchestrated attempt 7
at genocide that eradicated millions. Annual Yom Hashoah services 8
and gatherings of this type invest a horrifying past with a 9
riveting, poignant immediacy that prevents us from either 10
forgetting or dismissing the incomparable suffering inflicted but 11
a few decades ago; and 12

WHEREAS, It is imperative that all of us offer sympathy and 13
support to those who conscientiously assume the task of validating 14
and bearing witness to those unimaginable Nazi atrocities, lest 15
the world relax its vigilance and unwittingly invite their return. 16
This day also prompts us to be mindful of the bravery and 17
sacrifice of those who engineered and participated in heroically 18
defiant endeavors such as the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, a rebellion 19
that endures as a passionate example of organized resistance in 20
the face of insurmountable odds; and 21

WHEREAS, By depicting so vividly the torment of the 22
persecuted and oppressed and paying tribute to the indomitable 23
courage of the downtrodden with such compassion and eloquence, the 24
Governor's Holocaust Commemoration inspirationally affirms life. 25
Without question, this remarkable program blesses the entire 26
community; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 28
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, join the 29
Ohio Jewish Communities in recognizing the Governor's 30
Thirty-seventh Annual Holocaust Commemoration; and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 32
authenticated copies of this Resolution to the Governor's Office, 33
to the Ohio Jewish Communities Government Affairs Committee, and 34
to the news media of Ohio. 35