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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
Assembly of Ohio solemnly recognize the Governor's Thirty-seventh
Annual Holocaust Commemoration, May 17, 2017; and

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

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

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

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