



WHEREAS, on the 72nd anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, we remember the six million Jews and millions of others persecuted and murdered by the Nazis and their collaborators between 1933 and 1945; and

WHEREAS, we also recognize the courage and resilience of the survivors of the Holocaust as well as those who stood up against hate and helped scores of people to escape persecution; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the lives of 10,000 Jewish children who were saved in a rescue effort known as *Kindertransport*, in which the children were taken into foster homes, hostels, schools, and farms in the United Kingdom; many of these children were the only members of their family to survive the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, as we remember all who suffered, we reaffirm the value and dignity of each person, and have the courage to protect the persecuted and speak out against bigotry and hatred; and

WHEREAS, we in Hawai'i, where we strive to "Live Aloha", celebrate differences and enjoy living in a rich, multi-cultural society, find religious and ethnic prejudice particularly heinous; and

WHEREAS, the anniversary of Holocaust Remembrance Day allows us to further reflect on the progress we have made in confronting these terrible events and the need for vigilance to uphold the importance of all human life regardless of racial, religious, ethnic, or social differences;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2017 as

"HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in remembering the victims of the Holocaust and honor the survivors, as well as those who saved lives, and further encourage all of us to promote human dignity and peace.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-third day of April 2017.

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i