

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2021-4627, by Representative Senn

1 WHEREAS, On Yom HaShoah, or Holocaust Remembrance Day, we
2 remember the six million Jews who perished alongside millions of
3 other innocent victims: Persons with disabilities, LGBTQ+
4 individuals, Roma, and others, systematically murdered by the Nazis
5 and their collaborators in one of the most heinous campaigns in human
6 history; and

7 WHEREAS, We stand in solidarity with the Jewish people and
8 remember the victims, survivors, and liberators, many within our own
9 Washington communities, who, having borne witness to the depths of
10 evil, remind us of the vital refrain: "Never Again;" and

11 WHEREAS, We must ensure the horrors of the Holocaust can never be
12 erased from our collective memory in order to prevent a tragedy like
13 the Holocaust from happening again; and

14 WHEREAS, We reiterate the importance of teaching about the
15 Holocaust and gratefully acknowledge the valuable resource in the
16 Holocaust Center for Humanity and its trove of local survivor
17 speakers and stories; and

18 WHEREAS, Each new generation should never forget the urgency to
19 speak out whenever they witness anti-Semitism or any form of ethnic
20 and religious hatred, racism, homophobia, or xenophobia; what is
21 possible when governments back policies fueled by hatred and we
22 dehumanize groups of people; and when ordinary people decide that it

1 is easier to look away or go along than to speak out, for silence in
2 the face of such bigotry is complicity; and

3 WHEREAS, Pursuant to an Act of Congress, the United States
4 Holocaust Memorial Council designated the Days of Remembrance of the
5 victims of the Holocaust to be Sunday, April 8 through Sunday, April
6 15, including the Day of Remembrance, known as Yom HaShoah;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House
8 of Representatives recognize April 8, 2021, Holocaust Remembrance
9 Day.

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11 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
12 Resolution 4627 adopted by the House of Representatives
13 April 8, 2021
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Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk