

## Legislation Text

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In solemn recognition of the week of May 1 through May 8, 2016 as the annual remembrance of the Six Million Jewish Martyrs who perished during the Holocaust.

WHEREAS, Over sixty years ago, six million Jews were murdered in the Nazi Holocaust as part of a systematic program of genocide and millions of other people suffered as victims of Nazism; and

WHEREAS, The people of the City of Philadelphia should continually rededicate themselves to the principle of equal justice for all people; and

WHEREAS, The people of the City of Philadelphia should remain eternally vigilant against all tyranny and recognize that bigotry provides a breeding ground for tyranny to flourish; and

WHEREAS, The Memorial Committee for the Six Million Jewish Martyrs has chosen as the theme for this year's Memorial, "Remembering the Past for the Sake of our Future". This year's ceremony will focus on the continued need for successive generations to remember the Holocaust and will feature poems, readings and music that speak to the theme. We applaud the Committee for the honor they will bestow on the memory of those who perished and on those who survived to build and strengthen life in Philadelphia and other communities; and

WHEREAS, Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia and the Memorial Committee for the Six Million Jewish Martyrs invite all citizens of Philadelphia and the region to join in the commemoration ceremony on April 17, 2016 in front of the Holocaust Monument on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway from 1:00-2:30 PM; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Does hereby recognize the week of May 1 through May 8, 2016 as the Annual Remembrance of the Six Million Jewish Martyrs. We further recognize the horror of the Holocaust and extend to the Memorial Committee the respect and admiration of this legislative body.