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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7

WHEREAS, January 27 of each year is the official International Holocaust Remembrance Day as designated by

RECOGNIZING JANUARY 27TH, 2023 AS INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY.

2	the United Nations; and
3	WHEREAS, at least 1.3 million people were deported to Auschwitz between 1940 and 1945, and at least 1.1
4	million people sent to Auschwitz, were exterminated; and
5	WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of people belonging to other groups that the Nazis considered "undesirable",
6	such as individuals with disabilities and religious leaders, were also murdered at Auschwitz; and
7	WHEREAS, an estimated 6 million Jewish people, more than 60% of the Jewish population of Europe, were
8	murdered by the Nazis and their collaborators at Auschwitz and elsewhere in Europe; and
9	WHEREAS, the number of hate crimes against Jews in this Country ranges between 600 and 1,00 each year, and
10	in 2020, the number was 683, in 2019 it was 963, and in 2018, it was 847; and
11	WHEREAS, there were 2,024 incidents of antisemitic incidents in 2020, including the killing of Georgette
12	Kaufman in El Paso, Texas because she was believed to be a "Jewish Satan worshipper"; and
13	WHEREAS, the number of antisemitic incidents in 2019 was 2,107, including an attack at a Hanukkah party at the
14	home of a rabbi in Monsey, New York where 5 people were injured and one person died by a machete, and in California
15	where a man opened fire at a synagogue killing one person and injuring three others; and
16	WHEREAS, most recently on January 16, 2022, a gunman held four people hostage at a synagogue in Texas who
17	were attending Shabbat services, who with the help of law-enforcement, were able to escape unharmed; and
18	WHEREAS, just this past year there were incidents of antisemitism across this State, and such incidents are on the
19	rise here, nationwide, and internationally; and
20	WHEREAS, as a society we must educate future generations to promote an understanding of the dangers of
21	intolerance to prevent similar injustices from happening again.
22	NOW, THEREFORE:
23	BE IT RESOLVED by the Delaware House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of
24	Delaware that January 27, 2023 is hereby recognized as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

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SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution recognizes January 27th, 2023 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

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