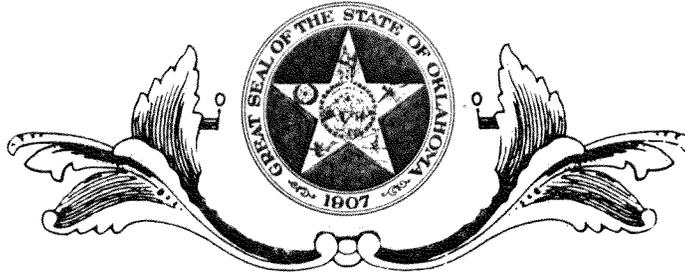


# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

*Whereas, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945 – six million Jews were murdered; Roma (Gypsies), people with disabilities, and Poles were also targeted for destruction or decimation for racial, ethnic, or national reasons; and millions more, including homosexuals, Jehovah's Witnesses, Soviet prisoners of war, and political dissidents also suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi tyranny; and*

*Whereas, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments; and*

*Whereas, we the people of the state of Oklahoma should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and*

*Whereas, we the people of the state of Oklahoma should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and*

*Whereas, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the people of the state of Oklahoma to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all peoples; and*

*Whereas, pursuant to an Act of Congress (Public Law 96-388, October 7, 1980), the United States Holocaust Memorial Council designates the Days of Remembrance of the victims of the Holocaust to be on Sunday, April 7 through Sunday, April 14, 2013, including the Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah on April 8, 2013;*

*Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the week of April 7<sup>th</sup> through April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 as*

### **"Days of Remembrance"**

*in the State of Oklahoma.*

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*

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*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.*

Assistant *AMichelle R Day*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Mary Fallin*  
GOVERNOR