



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

## **2012 DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE WEEK**

*WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jews by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1943 and 1945; and*

*WHEREAS, the Nazi's killed six million Jews, decimating the European Jewish community and shattering the lives of survivors. Five million others were also targeted for death based on their race, nationality, religion, disability, sexual orientation, political opposition, and a host of other reasons. Accomplished under the dark cloud of World War II, the Holocaust is one of the most terrible episodes in the history of our world; 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 Idaho should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and should remain vigilant against bigotry and tyranny; and*

*WHEREAS, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the people of the State of Idaho to remember the inhumanity of those who perpetrated the Holocaust as well as to reflect upon our own humanity and the need for respect of all people;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 15 through April 22, 2012 to be,*

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*in Idaho, and invite all citizens to remember the victims, the survivors and their liberators, and encourage the people of Idaho to strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-sixth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-second.*

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE