



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

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

WHEREAS, the Nazis killed six million Jews, decimating the European Jewish community and shattering the lives of survivors; and five million others also were targeted for death based on their race, nationality, religion, disability, sexual orientation, political opposition, and a host of other reasons; and

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was accomplished under the dark cloud of World War II and is one of the most terrible episodes in the history of our world, offering an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies and governments; and

WHEREAS, the people 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 Idaho to remember the inhumanity of those who perpetuated 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 Tuesday, April 29, 2014 to be

YOM HA'SHOAH: IDAHO DAY OF HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE

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 29th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and fourteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-fourth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE