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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY  
ON JANUARY 27, 2019.

### Subtitle

TO RECOGNIZE INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST  
REMEMBRANCE DAY ON JANUARY 27, 2019.

WHEREAS, International Holocaust Remembrance Day is an international memorial day commemorating the tragedy of the Holocaust that occurred during World War II; and the day commemorates the genocide by the German Nazi regime and its collaborators that resulted in the death of an estimated 6 million Jews, 5 million Slavs, 3 million ethnic Poles, 200,000 Romani people, 250,000 people with mental and physical disabilities, and 9,000 homosexual men; and

WHEREAS, January 27 is the international memorial day because on January 27, 1945, Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi concentration and death camp, was liberated by Soviet forces; and

WHEREAS, it is of vital importance that people everywhere honor the memory of Holocaust victims; encourage the development of educational programs regarding Holocaust history to help prevent future acts of genocide; reject any denial of the Holocaust as an event; condemn all manifestations of religious intolerance, incitement, harassment, or violence against persons or communities based on ethnic origin or religious belief; and call for actively preserving Holocaust sites that served as Nazi death camps, concentration camps, forced labor camps, and prisons; and



WHEREAS, the lessons of the Holocaust need to be remembered so that future generations may work to prevent hatred, bigotry, racism, and prejudice, as well as the violence, human suffering, and death that such prejudice can engender,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives recognize International Holocaust Remembrance Day on January 27, 2019.