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Type: Resolution

Title: Commemoration of Holocaust Remembrance Day

Committee(s) Assignment:

Debra Center 18

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of Jewish households call Chicago, the surrounding suburbs and the 50th Ward "home," and our heritage is part of Chicago's rich history; and

WHEREAS, the Jewish American experience has been affected dramatically by the Holocaust with nearly one in four Jewish residents of Chicagoland being descendants of a Holocaust survivor, victim, or refugee; and

WHEREAS, January 27 marks ~~the~~ 78 years since the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi death camp, by the Soviet Army in Poland in 1945; and

WHEREAS, this day is designated internationally by the United Nations as Holocaust Remembrance Day and serves as a day for people across the world to remember the six million Jews killed during the Holocaust alongside the millions of other people killed by Nazis and their collaborators; and

WHEREAS, this day is also a stark reminder that genocide has continued across the world over the decades since the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau; and

WHEREAS, across the United States, and here in Chicago we have seen a dramatic four-fold increase since 2016 in hate crimes and violence against Jewish people and we must be more vigilant than ever against attacks on the dignity and welfare of ethnic and religious groups; and

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WHEREAS, this theme is captured in a quote by Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel: "What is abnormal is that I am normal. That I survived the Holocaust and went on to love beautiful girls, to talk, to write, to have toast and tea and live my life - that is what is abnormal."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, do hereby recognize Friday, January 27, 2023, as Holocaust Remembrance Day, and pledge - through our continued commitment to the people of Chicago - to honor the memory of those who died in the Holocaust, as well as those who survived to share their experiences and wisdom with the world.

DEBRA L. SILVERSTEIN
ALDERMAN, 50th WARD

Wendy 24th
James 16
Bea 9th
Wendy 16
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Susan Sadkowsky 10th

John 37
Frank 14

Cliff 29
Wendy 30
Scott 32
Wendy 27th
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