



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

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

*WHEREAS, the people of the state of Alabama 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 Alabama 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 Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018, including the Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah, April 12, 2018;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 8<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018, as the*

# Days of Remembrance

*in the State of Alabama.*



*Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018.*

*Kay Ivey*  
Kay Ivey, Governor