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House Resolution

1 A resolution designating January 27, 2016, as
2 "International Holocaust Remembrance Day" in the State
3 of Florida.
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6 WHEREAS, the Holocaust, the state-sponsored, systematic
7 persecution and annihilation of the European Jewry by Nazi
8 Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945, resulted in
9 the murder of 6 million Jews, and

10 WHEREAS, in addition, the European Roma and Poles were
11 targeted for decimation for racial, ethnic, and national
12 reasons, and millions more, including persons with disabilities,
13 homosexuals, Jehovah's Witnesses, Soviet prisoners of war, and
14 political dissidents, suffered grievous oppression and death
15 under Nazi tyranny, and

16 WHEREAS, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity
17 to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals,
18 societies, and governments, particularly to remain vigilant
19 against hatred, persecution, and tyranny, and

20 WHEREAS, on November 1, 2005, the General Assembly of the
21 United Nations adopted a resolution designating January 27 as an
22 annual International Day of Commemoration to remember the
23 victims of the Holocaust and to honor the courage and dedication
24 of those who liberated the concentration camps, and

25 WHEREAS, in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, in
26 honor of its survivors, and in utmost gratitude for the risks

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27 | taken by rescuers and liberators, the citizens of Florida are
28 | encouraged to rededicate themselves to the principles of human
29 | dignity and individual freedom in a just society, thereby
30 | ensuring that such atrocities are never repeated, NOW,
31 | THEREFORE,

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33 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
34 | Florida:

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36 | That January 27, 2016, is designated as "International
37 | Holocaust Remembrance Day" in the State of Florida.