Declaration

Whereas, on International Holocaust Remembrance Day, we recall the six million lives lost during one of the most tragic genocides in modern history;

Whereas, we must never forget the horrific events of the Holocaust and must teach them to our children;

Whereas, antisemitism is an evil that threatens not only those who subscribe to the Jewish faith but all people no matter creed or background;

Whereas, antisemitism remains a persistent, pervasive, and disturbing problem in contemporary American society;

Whereas, Jewish people continue to be a targeted minority in the United States;

Whereas, in December 2019, President Donald J. Trump signed an executive order adopting the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance working definition of antisemitism for the purposes of government agencies tasked with enforcing Title VI;

Whereas, we, the people of the state of Utah, have a strong stake in remembering and learning about the Holocaust as a warning about the danger of what can happen when hate goes unchallenged and when oppression is met with indifference; and,

Whereas, the state of Utah rejects and condemns antisemitism;

Now, Therefore, I, Spencer J. Cox, governor of the state of Utah, do hereby declare Jan. 27, 2022, as

International Holocaust Remembrance Day in Utah

Spencer J. Cox
Governor