WHEREAS, Monday, January 27, 2020 is International Holocaust Remembrance Day, and marks the 75th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz concentration camp; and

WHEREAS, on this anniversary, the United States and Vermont must recommit itself to combatting the global rise in anti-Semitism; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2016, 31 member states of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA), of which the United States is a member, adopted a non-legally binding “working definition” of anti-Semitism; and

WHEREAS, on this 75th anniversary we hereby recognize the non-legally binding "working definition" of anti-Semitism; and

WHEREAS, the working definition reads as follows: “Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim January 27, 2020 as

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 27th day of January, A.D. 2020.

Philip B. Scott
Governor

Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs