

Reps. Taub, David Law, Accavitti, Adamini, Ball, Baxter, Bieda, Brandenburg, Brown, Byrnes, Byrum, Casperson, Clack, Condino, Dillon, Donigan, Drolet, Elsenheimer, Emmons, Espinoza, Farhat, Farrah, Garfield, Gillard, Gleason, Gonzales, Gosselin, Green, Hansen, Hildenbrand, Huizenga, Hummel, Jones, Kahn, Kehrl, Kolb, Kooiman, Kathleen Law, Leland, Lemmons, III, Lemmons, Jr., Lipsey, Mayes, McDowell, Meisner, Meyer, Miller, Mortimer, Murphy, Nitz, Nofs, Pastor, Pavlov, Pearce, Phillips, Polidori, Proos, Robertson, Sak, Shaffer, Sheltrown, Alma Smith, Spade, Stahl, Stewart, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Vander Veen, Walker, Ward, Waters, Wojno and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 70.

A resolution marking the 60th anniversary of the end of the Holocaust and declaring May 4, 2005, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The horrors of the Holocaust should never be forgotten. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the end of the Holocaust, which was ruthlessly and tragically carried out by Nazi Germany under the leadership of Adolf Hitler and his collaborators; and

Whereas, The Holocaust involved the genocide of millions of innocent Jewish men, women, and children, along with the murder of millions of others. In addition, there was an enormity of suffering inflicted on the many survivors through mistreatment, brutalization, violence, torture, slave labor, involuntary medical experimentation, death marches, and numerous other acts of cruelty that have come to be known as “crimes against humanity”; and

Whereas, In the past 60 years, the Holocaust has provided the peoples of the world with an objective lesson in the importance of compassion, caring, and kindness; an awareness of the dangers inherent in bigotry, racism, intolerance, an appreciation of the sensitivity to diversity; and

Whereas, Recognition of the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II and the liberation of the concentration camps is crucial. We encourage all Americans to commemorate the occasion through reflection, acts of compassionate caring, and learning about the terrible consequences and lessons of the Holocaust; and

Whereas, On May 4, 2005, we recognize the Holocaust Commemoration Ceremony, *From Liberation to the Pursuit of Justice*, in memory of the 60th anniversary of the liberation of Nazi concentration camps and the subsequent prosecution under international law of the major Nazi war criminals at Nuremberg, Germany; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body marks the 60th anniversary of the end of the Holocaust and declares May 4, 2005, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.