

City of Cerritos

Proclamation

Whereas, The Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945; and

Whereas, The history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies and governments; and

Whereas, We, the people of the City of Cerritos should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny, and should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

Whereas, The Days of Remembrance have been set aside to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all peoples; and

Now, Therefore, I, Bruce Barrows, Mayor of the City of Cerritos, on behalf of the Cerritos City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of April 19 through April 26, 2009 as

Days of Remembrance

in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, and in honor of the survivors, as well as the rescuers and liberators, and further proclaim that we, as citizens of the City of Cerritos, should strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance.

Proclaimed, This twentieth day of March, 2009.


Mayor

