



City of Chattanooga
Office of the Mayor

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 more than six million Jews were murdered; Gypsies, the handicapped, and Poles were also targeted for destruction or decimation for racial, ethnic, or national reasons; and

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

Whereas: It is important for the people of our city to remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny, and

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

Whereas: Pursuant to an Act of Congress (Public Law 96-388, October 7, 1980) the United States Holocaust Memorial Council designates the Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust to be Sunday, April 19 through Sunday, April 26, 2009 including the Day of Remembrance known as *Yom Hashoah*, April 21,

Now Therefore,

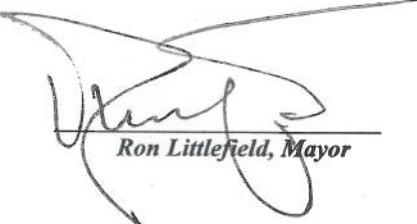
I, Ron Littlefield, Mayor of the City of Chattanooga, do hereby proclaim the week of Sunday, April 19th through Sunday, April 26, 2009 as

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 Chattanooga, should strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Chattanooga to be affixed this the 19th day of April, 2009




Ron Littlefield, Mayor