

Honorary Proclamation



BILL RITTER, JR.
GOVERNOR

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE WEEK April 19 – 25, 2009

WHEREAS, between 1933 and 1945, six million Jews were murdered in the Holocaust of World War II, a systematic program designed to eradicate the Jewish people; and

WHEREAS, millions of other individuals were targeted and killed by the Nazis because of their racial, national, social, religious, or ethnic backgrounds or sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was a genocide of unparalleled proportions, perpetrated by the Third Reich and implicitly supported by the other Axis powers; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that we keep alive the memory of these despicable injustices so that we may never again have to witness methodical atrocities such as those committed during those 12 dark years in Europe; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado joins with the United States Congress and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in observing the annual Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust, and pledges to never forget the events of the Holocaust and to honor the memory of its victims;

Therefore, I, Bill Ritter, Jr., Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim April 19 – 25, 2009,

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE WEEK

in the State of Colorado.

*GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado, this third day of March,
2009*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Ritter, Jr.".

*Bill Ritter, Jr.
Governor*

