

City of Norfolk  
Virginia

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS, from 1933 to 1945, six million Jews were murdered in the Nazi Holocaust as part of a systematic program of genocide, and millions of other people perished as victims of Nazism; and*

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

*WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Norfolk should continually rededicate themselves to the principle of equal justice for all people; and*

*WHEREAS, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the citizens of the City of Norfolk to remember the inhumanity of those who perpetrated the Holocaust as well as to reflect upon their own humanity and the need for respect of all peoples; and*

*WHEREAS, pursuant to an Act of Congress 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 international Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah, April 21, 2009.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL D. FRAIM, Mayor of the City of Norfolk, do hereby proclaim the week of April 19 – 26, 2009 as*

***DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST***

*in the City of Norfolk and encourage all citizens to strive always to overcome prejudice and inhumanity through education, vigilance and resistance.*

Given under my hand this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2009.



*Paul D. Frain*  
PAUL D. FRAIM, MAYOR