



Proclamation

"Days of Remembrance – Victims of the Holocaust" *April 19-26, 2009*

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 Pasco should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and

Whereas, we the people of the City of Pasco should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

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

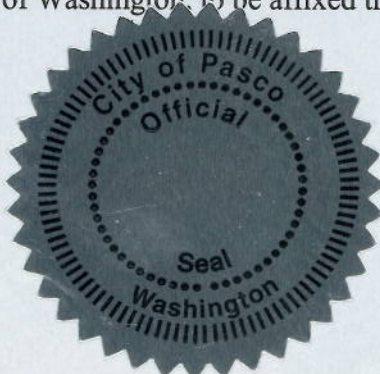
Whereas, pursuant to an Act of Congress (Public Law 96-388, October 7, 1980) the United States Holocaust Memorial Council designates the Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust to be Sunday, April 19 through Sunday, April 26, 2009 including the Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah, April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

Now, Therefore, I, Joyce Olson, Mayor of the City of Pasco, do hereby proclaim the week of Sunday, April 19 through Sunday, April 26, 2009 as

"Days of Remembrance"

in the 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 Pasco, should strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Pasco, State of Washington, to be affixed this 6th day of April 2009.



Joyce Olson

Joyce Olson, Mayor
City of Pasco