

*Office of the Mayor
Proclamation*

*Days of Remembrance
April 19 - 26, 2009*

- Whereas, the Holocaust was the persecution and annihilation of European Jewry who suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi tyranny between 1933 and 1945 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, we should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny; and*
- Whereas, we should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; 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, April 19 - April 26, 2009 including the Day of Remembrance April 21.*

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that I, Bryan K. Barnett, Mayor of Rochester Hills, hereby proclaim the week of April 19 - 26, 2009 as the 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 Rochester Hills, should strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance.



In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused my Seal to be affixed this 12th day of March 2009 in the City of Rochester Hills, Michigan.

*Bryan K. Barnett
City of Rochester Hills*