

STATE OF VERMONT  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
A PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the systemic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry, and the targeted destruction and oppression of many other groups for racial, ethnic or other reasons; and
- WHEREAS, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect upon the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies and governments; and
- WHEREAS, Vermonters are dedicated to the principles of individual freedom in a just society, but should always remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, intolerance and tyranny; and
- WHEREAS, the Days of Remembrance, including the international day of remembrance known as Yom Hashoah on April 21, 2009, have been set aside by the United States Holocaust Memorial Council to remember the victims of the Holocaust and to reflect upon the need to respect all people.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James H. Douglas, Governor, do hereby proclaim **April 19-26, 2009** as

**DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE WEEK**

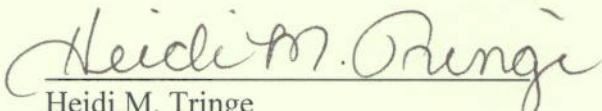
in Vermont in memory of the victims, survivors, rescuers and liberators of the Holocaust.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont this 3<sup>RD</sup> day of April, A.D. 2009.



James H. Douglas  
Governor

By the Governor:

  
Heidi M. Tringe  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs