

CITY OF VICTORVILLE



Proclamation

WHEREAS, between 1933 and 1945, under Nazi tyranny, six million European Jews were annihilated, including more than one million Jewish children; and

WHEREAS, the Holocaust is not merely a story of destruction and loss; it is a story of an apathetic world and a few rare individuals of extraordinary courage. It is a remarkable story of the human spirit and the life that flourished before the Holocaust, struggled during its darkest hours, and ultimately prevailed as survivors rebuilt their lives; and

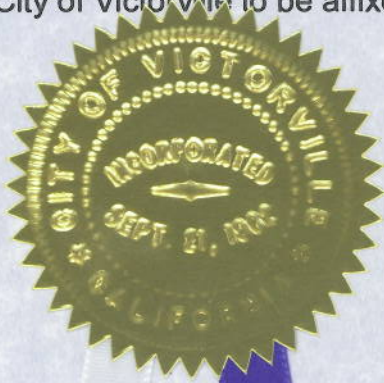
WHEREAS, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies and governments. The citizens of the City of Victorville should remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny, and should actively rededicate themselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

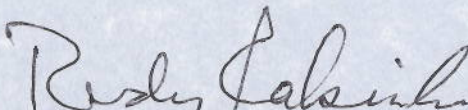
WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress established the Days of Remembrance as our nation's annual commemoration of the victims of the Holocaust and created the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum as a permanent living memorial to those victims, naming "NEVER AGAIN: WHAT YOU DO MATTERS" as the 2009 theme; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RUDY CABRIALES, MAYOR of the City of Victorville **DO HEREBY** join the other members of the **CITY COUNCIL** to proclaim the week of Sunday, April 19 through Sunday, April 26, 2009 as Days of Remembrance in memory of the victims of the holocaust, and in honor of the survivors, rescuers and liberators, and further proclaim that the citizens of the City of Victorville should continually 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 Victorville to be affixed hereto this 2nd day of April, 2009.





RUDY CABRIALES
MAYOR OF VICTORVILLE