

Proclamation

in honor of

The Days of Remembrance

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

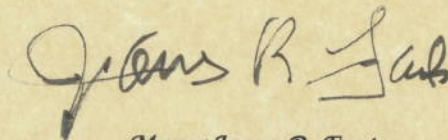
Whereas, Jews were the primary victims, as six million were murdered, while millions more, including the Gypsies, handicapped, homosexuals, Jehovah's Witnesses, Soviet prisoners of war and political dissidents also suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi tyranny; and

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 Warren, Michigan should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny and actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

Whereas, The Days of Remembrance, designated by an Act of the United States Congress to be Sunday, April 19 through Sunday, April 26, have been set aside for the people of Warren to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all peoples; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, James R. Fouts, Mayor of the City of Warren, Michigan, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Warren do hereby proclaim the week of April 19 – April 26, 2009 as the Days of Remembrance in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, and in honor of the survivors, rescuers and liberators, and further proclaim that we, as citizens of the City of Warren, should strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance.



Mayor James R. Fouts
City of Warren, Michigan

