

RESOLUTION #21/22-24
IN SUPPORT OF
INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY
JANUARY 27, 2022

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945. Jews were the primary victims—six million were murdered; Roma and Sinti (Gypsies), people with mental and physical disabilities, and Poles were also targeted for destruction or decimation for racial, ethnic, or national reasons. Millions more, including homosexuals, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Soviet prisoners of war, and political dissidents, also suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi Germany; and

WHEREAS, through our Day of Remembrance events, Conejo Valley Unified School District seeks both to commemorate this tragic history and to reflect on the lessons it holds for our lives today. We also pay tribute to the rescuers who risked their lives to save others during the Holocaust and to the American soldiers who liberated the concentration camps.; and

WHEREAS, “It’s not enough to curse the darkness of the past. We have to illuminate the future,” explains Holocaust survivor Estelle Laughlin. “On Days of Remembrance the most important thing to remember is the humanity that is in all of us to leave the world better for our children and for posterity.”; and

WHEREAS, International Holocaust Remembrance Day has been set aside for the people of the Conejo Valley Unified School District to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect upon their own humanity and the need for respect of all peoples; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Conejo Valley Unified School District proclaims January 27, 2022, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day in its schools in memory of the victims, the survivors, and their liberators, and further proclaims that we reaffirm our commitment to combatting the rise of antisemitism and hatred around the world and strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance while being respectful of Holocaust survivors and victims, and their suffering.



Clerk, Board of Education



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and Secretary to the Board