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Relating to: remembering the millions of victims of the Holocaust; honoring the survivors, liberators, and resisters; and committing to educating future generations.

Whereas, the Holocaust was the systematic persecution and mass annihilation that claimed the lives of over six million Jews and five million others, with children accounting for more than one million of those murdered; and

Whereas, from being forced into abhorrent living conditions in the ghettos to the ultimate deportation to forced labor camps and extermination camps, the Jewish people faced starvation, disease, and torture, and millions of them faced a brutal death; and

Whereas, even though the Nazi regime attempted to cover up their unthinkable atrocities, the world uncovered the depths of their evil and we shall continually work to preserve the memories of those who suffered at their hands; and
Whereas, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments, and a critical lesson on the importance of tolerance and respect for all human life; and

Whereas, we must do everything we can to preserve the legacy of those who perished and ensure their lives and stories are never forgotten and those atrocities are never repeated; and

Whereas, as each year passes and more distance is put between us and those fateful events, it is more important than ever to continue educational efforts surrounding this horrible period in human history and remain vigilant against the hatred that prevailed during that time; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature remembers the millions of victims of the Holocaust; honors the survivors, liberators, and resistors; and commits to educating future generations so they may apply the lessons learned from the Holocaust to create a better future for all of humanity.

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