

Senate Resolution 445

By: Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Albers of the 56th, Harrell of the 40th, Watson of the 1st and Hodges of the 3rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 27, 2024, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, January 27 is designated by the United Nations General Assembly as
4 International Holocaust Remembrance Day (IHRD). Since adopting Resolution 60/7 in 2005,
5 the United Nations and its member states have held commemoration ceremonies to mark the
6 anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau and to honor the six million Jewish
7 victims of the Holocaust and millions of others; and

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9 WHEREAS, the resolution also supports the development of educational programs to
10 remember the Holocaust and to prevent further genocide and condemns all forms of
11 "religious intolerance, incitement, harassment, or violence against persons or communities
12 based on ethnic origin or religious belief" throughout the world; and

13 WHEREAS, here in the State of Georgia, we recognize the importance of Holocaust
14 education. We pledge to become active participants in our schools, communities, and in our
15 democracy. We will remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and genocide and actively
16 rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust, established to preserve the memory
18 and promote public understanding of Holocaust history, has adopted "Recognizing the
19 Extraordinary Courage of Victims and Survivors of the Holocaust" as the theme of the 2024
20 commemoration of International Holocaust Remembrance Day in Georgia; and

21 WHEREAS, we, the people of Georgia, join communities throughout the world in
22 commemorating International Holocaust Remembrance Day and honoring the victims,
23 survivors, and liberators of the Holocaust.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 recognize January 27, 2024, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
28 press.