



## Houston Holocaust March 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. Jews were the primary victims—six million were murdered and 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, since 2007, **March of Remembrance** memorial and reconciliation marches have taken place at historic locations of the Holocaust in Europe.

WHEREAS, we the people of the City of Houston should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny; and,

WHEREAS, a **March of Remembrance** will take place April 6-7, 2013, in seven locations in the Houston area, for us to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all people.

THEREFORE, I, Annise Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaim April 6-7, 2013, as

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in Houston, Texas, in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, and in honor of the survivors, as well as the rescuers and liberators, and further proclaim that we, as citizens of the City of Houston, should work to promote human dignity and confront hate whenever and wherever it occurs.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.

Annise D. Parker  
Mayor of the City of Houston

