Assembly Resolution No. 45

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim January 27, 2025, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, From 1933 to 1945, six million Jews were murdered during the Holocaust as a part of a systematic persecution and program of genocide, and millions of other people also perished as victims of Nazism; and

WHEREAS, Jews who surrendered to Nazi control were quickly stripped of their rights and property; and

WHEREAS, The Holocaust was the attempt by the Nazis and their collaborators to destroy all Jewish people in Europe; and

WHEREAS, The year 2025 marks the 80th Anniversary of the liberation of the German Nazi concentration and extermination camp, Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi death camp; and

WHEREAS, The Holocaust represents the darkest period in the civilization of mankind and must always be remembered in order to prevent its reoccurrence anywhere else in the world; and

WHEREAS, International Holocaust Remembrance Day, which is observed on January 27th each year, is a day set aside for remembering the millions of victims of the Holocaust; this date was designated by the United Nations General Assembly on November 1, 2005; and

WHEREAS, On January 27th each year, remembrance ceremonies are held throughout the United States and around the world to remember the tragedy of the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, It is critically important to remember the events of the Holocaust to ensure that the events shall happen "Never again!" as has been the rallying cry among the Jewish people; and

WHEREAS, With the threat of genocide and ethnic cleansing present in many war-torn regions of the world, the events of the Holocaust continue to be relevant and important to remember so that suffering on this scale truly never does happen again; and

WHEREAS, We, the People of the State of New York, should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and

WHEREAS, Knowing that the events and root causes of the Holocaust must not be forgotten, particularly as survivors diminish in number, links must be forged to educate future generations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim January 27, 2025, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York.