

STATE OF ILLINOIS
EIGHTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House Resolution No. 698

Offered by Representatives Greiman and Jaffe

WHEREAS, Citizens of the State of Illinois and all Americans enjoy and hold dear their democratic rights of free speech, religion, and personal security guaranteed by our Nation's Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Millions died defending these precious freedoms against an ideology of racial and genocidal hatred preached and practiced by the Nazi regime; and

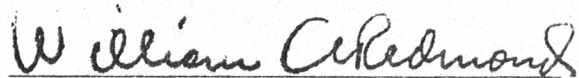
WHEREAS, Many millions more who were innocent civilians in every nation of Europe, including six million Jews and five million Christians, died in a Holocaust of obscene wanton destruction, perpetrated by the Nazis; and

WHEREAS, Only a generation after this awful event a small band of bigots announced their intention to march under the besmirched mantel of discredited Nazi slogans through the Village of Skokie, a small community whose residents include many Jews and survivors of the infamous Holocaust; and

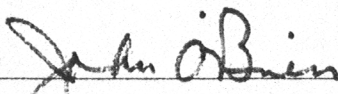
WHEREAS, Religious and community leaders of all faiths and races throughout the State of Illinois, and, indeed, throughout our Nation, unite in deploring this provocative and heinous attempt to incite prejudice and violence against American citizens because of their race, creed, or national origin; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, Does hereby proclaim the week of April 16, 1978 to be HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE WEEK in the State of Illinois; and do hereby call upon civic, religious, and educational leaders in our communities to undertake programs commemorating the tragedies of the Holocaust in order that neither we nor our children or our children's children shall forget or recreate this barbarous monument to intolerance and inhumanity.

Adopted by the House of Representatives on April 5, 1978.



Speaker of the House


Clerk of the House