HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas joins citizens 1 across Texas in observing Holocaust Remembrance Day on April 29, 2 2003, to honor Holocaust victims, survivors, families, and 3 liberators; and 4 WHEREAS. Holocaust Remembrance Day unites the entire 5 community in interfaith services and encourages all people to 6 reflect on the consequences of violence against our fellowman; and 7 WHEREAS, During the annual commemoration, citizens pay their 8 respects to those who lost their lives, honor those who survived, 9 and pray for a future free of hatred and prejudice; and 10 WHEREAS, Children as well as adults were victims and 11 survivors of the Holocaust; these youngsters created art, journals, 12 and memoirs as a living testimony of their experiences; to honor 13 them, a statewide Holocaust art and literature contest for middle 14 and high school students will be held, and the winning entries will 15 be exhibited at the Capitol Extension on the day of remembrance; and 16 WHEREAS, Holocaust survivors, liberators, art 17 winners, and representatives of Holocaust museums in the state will 18 be honored at a reception; special quests in attendance will 19 include Governor Rick Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst, 20 Speaker of the House Tom Craddick, Senator Florence Shapiro, and 21 Representative Joe Nixon; and 22 23 WHEREAS, Holocaust Remembrance Day serves as a solemn

reminder of the importance of practicing tolerance and respect

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- 1 toward others; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 3 hereby recognize April 29, 2003, as Holocaust Remembrance Day and
- 4 join in this fitting tribute to the millions of people affected by
- 5 the Holocaust.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 211 was adopted by the House on April 29, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 211 was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2003, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

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