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## SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Holocaust Remembrance Association in honor of the opening of the Holocaust Garden of Hope in Kingwood on November 5, 2023; and

WHEREAS, The Holocaust Remembrance Association is a nonprofit educational organization based in Kingwood that was formed on January 27, 2019, by Jewish descendants of Holocaust survivors and their Christian allies; the association seeks to sensitize hearts to the history of the Holocaust and to encourage people to stand against the evils of antisemitism, persecution, prejudice, and indifference to suffering; and

WHEREAS, In the early 20th century, the Jewish people endured a horrific genocide at the hands of the Nazis, led by Adolf Hitler under the Third Reich; the history of antisemitism on the European continent created an atmosphere of intolerance and a disregard for ethnic violence targeting the Jewish people, and the unwillingness of the international community to condemn the Nazi regime allowed for the escalation of the Nazis' influence and control in perpetuating the extermination of Jewish life; and

WHEREAS, The Holocaust Remembrance Association exists to renew the historical memory of this tragic event and the lives it claimed and to promote education, healing, reconciliation, and understanding between the Jewish people and other communities; and

WHEREAS, The Holocaust Garden of Hope pays tribute to the lives of those affected by the Holocaust and seeks to highlight the stories of victims, survivors, rescuers, and repentant descendants of Nazi perpetrators; these accounts of resilience, hope, and bravery are sure to evoke in visitors a profound admiration for the Jewish people and their history and to inspire future generations to defend their existence and to value Jewish life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commend the Holocaust Remembrance Association on its invaluable contributions to the betterment of our society and extend to all who have contributed to the Holocaust Garden of Hope best wishes for a day of reflection and healing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.