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1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas joins citizens  
3 across Texas in observing Holocaust Remembrance Day on April 29,  
4 2003, to honor Holocaust victims, survivors, families, and  
5 liberators; and

6 WHEREAS, Holocaust Remembrance Day unites the entire  
7 community in interfaith services and encourages all people to  
8 reflect on the consequences of violence against our fellowman; and

9 WHEREAS, During the annual commemoration, citizens pay their  
10 respects to those who lost their lives, honor those who survived,  
11 and pray for a future free of hatred and prejudice; and

12 WHEREAS, Children as well as adults were victims and  
13 survivors of the Holocaust; these youngsters created art, journals,  
14 and memoirs as a living testimony of their experiences; to honor  
15 them, a statewide Holocaust art and literature contest for middle  
16 and high school students will be held, and winning entries will be  
17 exhibited at the Capitol Extension on the day of remembrance; and

18 WHEREAS, Holocaust survivors, liberators, art contest  
19 winners, and representatives of Holocaust museums in the state will  
20 be honored at a reception; special guests in attendance will  
21 include Governor Rick Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst,  
22 Speaker of the House Tom Craddick, Senator Florence Shapiro, and  
23 Representative Joe Nixon; and

24 WHEREAS, Holocaust Remembrance Day serves as a solemn

1 reminder of the importance of practicing tolerance and respect  
2 toward others; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas  
4 hereby join in this fitting tribute to the millions of people  
5 affected by the Holocaust.