

House Resolution 1274

By: Representatives Henson of the 86th, Abrams of the 89th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Oliver of the 82nd, and Beskin of the 54th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 27, 2016, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day and May 5,
2 2016, as Holocaust Remembrance Day at the capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the victims of the Holocaust and the Second World War are honored and
4 remembered on International Holocaust Remembrance Day and on Holocaust Remembrance
5 Day, also called Yom HaShoah; and

6 WHEREAS, from 1933 to 1945, 5.8 million Jewish sons and daughters were systematically
7 murdered in the Nazi Holocaust, a heinous machine of genocide; and

8 WHEREAS, Jews who fell under the yoke of Nazi tyranny were stripped of their rights and
9 property and were treated with inhumane depravity by Nazi sympathizers and enablers; and

10 WHEREAS, the Jews who perished at Nazi hands comprised two-thirds of the European
11 Jewish population, and in countries such as Poland, the Jewish death toll surpassed 90
12 percent; and

13 WHEREAS, the year 2016 marks the 83rd anniversary of the beginning of the genocide of
14 European Jews; and

15 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Georgia shall always remember the atrocities
16 committed by the Nazis with unwavering resolve to ensure such horrors are never repeated
17 and shall unceasingly commit themselves to the principle of equal justice for all people; and

18 WHEREAS, we learn in the aftermath of the Holocaust that indifference to genocide must
19 not and will not be tolerated and that Holocaust remembrance imposes a moral obligation to
20 speak out for humanity.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body recognize January 27, 2016, as International Holocaust
23 Remembrance Day and May 5, 2016, as Holocaust Remembrance Day at the capitol.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
26 public and the press.