

**Introduced by Senators Stone, Allen, Block, Hertzberg, Huff,
Jackson, Leno, Morrell, Nielsen, Vidak, and Wolk**

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Senate Resolution No. 10—Relative to the Liberation of Auschwitz,
70th anniversary.

1 WHEREAS, One million Jews and thousands of others were
2 persecuted, tortured, and ultimately killed in the gas chambers at
3 Auschwitz; and
4 WHEREAS, On January 27, 1945, the Soviet army liberated
5 over 7,000 remaining prisoners; and
6 WHEREAS, History ignored allows history to repeat itself; and
7 WHEREAS, Ethnic and religious cleansings ignoring basic
8 human rights continue to claim innocent lives in all corners of the
9 globe; and
10 WHEREAS, Anti-Semitism is growing nationally in our
11 universities and internationally at alarming rates; and
12 WHEREAS, The number of living witnesses to the atrocities in
13 Europe decreases every year; now, therefore, be it
14 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California*, That this 27th
15 day of January 2015, is commemorated as the 70th anniversary of
16 the liberation of Auschwitz, and that the Senate, along with the
17 people of California, mourns the loss of six million Jewish people
18 in the Holocaust; and be it further
19 *Resolved*, That the California State Senate condemns any efforts
20 to strip any person of his or her basic human rights and seeks to
21 protect the civil rights and liberties of all people, regardless of
22 race, color, creed, or sexual orientation, and further seeks to set
23 an example that all people shall be respected and shall have the
24 freedom to live a life in peace with all the protections afforded by

- 1 the Constitution of the State of California and the Constitution of
- 2 the United States; and be it further
- 3 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
- 4 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.