

Senate Resolution No. 10

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

Relative to the Liberation of Auschwitz, 70th anniversary

WHEREAS, One million Jews and thousands of others were persecuted, tortured, and ultimately killed in the gas chambers at Auschwitz; and

WHEREAS, On January 27, 1945, the Soviet army liberated over 7,000 remaining prisoners; and

WHEREAS, History ignored allows history to repeat itself; and

WHEREAS, Ethnic and religious cleansings ignoring basic human rights continue to claim innocent lives in all corners of the globe; and

WHEREAS, Anti-Semitism is growing nationally in our universities and internationally at alarming rates; and

WHEREAS, The number of living witnesses to the atrocities in Europe decreases every year; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That this 27th day of January 2015, is commemorated as the 70th anniversary of the Liberation of Auschwitz, and that the Senate, along with the people of California, mourns the loss of six million Jewish people in the Holocaust; and be it further

Resolved, That the California State Senate condemns any efforts to strip any person of his or her basic human rights and seeks to protect the civil rights and liberties of all people, regardless of race, color, creed, or sexual orientation, and further seeks to set an example that all people shall be respected and shall have the freedom to live a life in peace with all the protections afforded by the Constitution of the State of California and the Constitution of the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

Senate Resolution No. 10 read and adopted by the Senate January 29, 2015.

Attest: _____
Secretary of the Senate