

# CITY OF LAKEWOOD



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewish people by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945; and

**WHEREAS**, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations designates January 27 as an International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust; and

**WHEREAS**, the residents of the City of Lakewood should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

**WHEREAS**, January 27 has been set aside for the people of the City of Lakewood to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all peoples.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Jason Whalen, do hereby proclaim the month of January 27, 2025 as

## HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

and in memory of the victims and in honor of the survivors, as well as the rescuers and liberators, and further proclaim to promote human dignity and confront hate whenever it occurs.

PROCLAIMED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2025.

  
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Jason Whalen, Mayor