



We, the Select Board of the Town of Acton, Massachusetts, by virtue of the authority vested in us by the people of Acton, as elected officials, do hereby proclaim:

Whereas The International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance non-legally binding working definition of antisemitism reads as follows: "Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed towards Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities"; and

Whereas Recent acts of hate in Acton serve as a painful reminder of our obligation to condemn and combat rising antisemitism in all its forms, including the denial or trivialization of the Holocaust; and

Whereas January 27th is designated as International Holocaust Remembrance Day, marking the anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz death camp; and

Whereas Honoring the victims and survivors begins with our renewed recognition of the value and dignity of each person; it demands from us the courage to protect the persecuted and speak out against bigotry and hatred; and

Whereas We commit ourselves in Acton to combatting the global rise in antisemitism.

Now, therefore, may it be resolved that the Town of Acton adopts the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance working definition of antisemitism, marks January 27th of each year as International Holocaust Remembrance Day, and recognizes the importance of condemning and combatting rising antisemitism.

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