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WHEREAS, the **Holocaust Center of Greater Pittsburgh** is Western Pennsylvania's only educational resource center on the Holocaust and whose mission is to heighten public awareness, honor survivors and keep the memory alive by educating teachers and students, commemorating the lives of victims and documenting those events through the collections of artifacts, videos and oral histories of survivors; and,

WHEREAS, each spring, the **Holocaust Center of Greater Pittsburgh** presents a community wide program called **Yom Hashoa**, or **Holocaust Remembrance Day**, which is the day set aside to remember the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust, giving the community the opportunity to gather and remember the suffering, dignity, courage and resistance of the victims of Nazi atrocities; and,

WHEREAS, **Yom Hashoa** was originally inaugurated in 1959, anchored in a law signed by then Israeli Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion and Israeli President Yitzhak Ben-Zvi and is a national memorial day and a public holiday in Israel; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby commend and recognize the **Holocaust Center of Greater Pittsburgh** for standing steadfast in its mission and for giving meaning to the clarion call, *Never Again*; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare Wednesday, April 25 to be "YOM HASHOA DAY" in the City of Pittsburgh.