

House Resolution 931

By: Representative Silcox of the 52nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 27, 2020, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the state sponsored, systematic annihilation of the European
4 Jewish community by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945; and

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

7 WHEREAS, we have an obligation to ensure that the memory and legacy of the lives lost or
8 forever changed in this horrific event are never forgotten; and

9 WHEREAS, we remember with sadness the six million Jews, including one and a half
10 million children, who were persecuted for their religious practices, political beliefs, sexual
11 orientations, and physical disabilities; and

12 WHEREAS, we remember with admiration the resisters and saviors both known and
13 unknown who risked their lives to save others; and

14 WHEREAS, we remember with respect the survivors who escaped, were sheltered, or were
15 freed and who lived to contribute so much to our state, our country, and our world; and

16 WHEREAS, we pledge today to firmly commit ourselves to work to promote human dignity
17 by confronting intolerance and hate whenever and wherever it occurs.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body recognize January 27, 2020, as International Holocaust
20 Remembrance Day in memory of the victims, survivors, rescuers, and liberators of the
21 Holocaust.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
23 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
24 public and the press.