

The Holocaust Memorial Day Act

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Chapter H-4.001 of *The Statutes of Saskatchewan, 2001*
(effective April 18, 2001).

NOTE:

This consolidation is not official. Amendments have been incorporated for convenience of reference and the original statutes and regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpretation and application of the law. In order to preserve the integrity of the original statutes and regulations, errors that may have appeared are reproduced in this consolidation.

CHAPTER H-4.001

An Act to recognize *Yom haShoah* as Holocaust Memorial Day in Saskatchewan

Preamble

WHEREAS *haShoah* (the Holocaust) refers to the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and murder of Jewish women, men, and children by the Nazis between 1933 and 1945;

WHEREAS other atrocities were planned, organized and carried out by Nazi civil and military authorities and their collaborators, victimizing Jews and many others because of race, religion, physical disability, mental disability or sexual orientation;

WHEREAS during the Second World War, Canada and its allies took part in a prolonged armed struggle, costly in human life and human suffering, to defeat the Nazis and their collaborators;

WHEREAS it is desirable to observe a day to remember the victims of the Holocaust and to honour those who fought to defeat the tyranny and genocide of the Nazis and their collaborators;

WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is committed to using legislation, education, and example to protect Saskatchewan residents from violence, racism, hatred and intolerance;

WHEREAS it is opportune to proclaim a day to reflect upon and educate Saskatchewan people about the enduring lessons of the Holocaust and to consider other instances of the systemic destruction of peoples, human rights issues, and the importance of multiculturalism in our society;

AND WHEREAS, *Yom haShoah* (the Day of Holocaust) is determined in each year by the Jewish lunar calendar;

THEREFORE HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

Short title

1 This Act may be cited as *The Holocaust Memorial Day Act*.

2001, c.H-4.001, s.1.

Recognition of Holocaust Memorial Day

2 *Yom haShoah*, or Holocaust Memorial Day, as determined in each year by the Jewish lunar calendar, is declared as Holocaust Memorial Day throughout Saskatchewan.

2001, c.H-4.001, s.2.

Coming into force

3 This Act comes into force on assent.