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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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SELECTED MEMORIALS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

**JOINT RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING THE INTENT
OF THE LEGISLATURE TO
ENSURE RESPONSIBLE
GOVERNMENTAL
EXPENDITURES**

H.P. 202

WHEREAS, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-second Maine Legislature enacted limitations to ensure responsible and sensible governmental expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Maine have placed their trust in elected officials; and

WHEREAS, we, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-third Maine Legislature, honor the solemn trust the people of the State of Maine have bestowed upon us; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of Maine has opined that a joint rules change requiring a 2/3 majority to override the spending limitations would likely be found unconstitutional, if reviewed by the Maine Supreme Judicial Court; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Maine now assembled in the First Regular Session, reaffirm our commitment to remain under the spending cap on governmental expenditures as enacted by the One Hundred and Twenty-second Maine Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable John Elias Baldacci, Governor of the State of Maine.

**Read and adopted by the House of Representatives
January 16, 2007 and the Senate January 16, 2007.**

**JOINT RESOLUTION
COMMEMORATING THE
HOLOCAUST AND HUMAN
RIGHTS CENTER'S
LEGISLATIVE AWARENESS
DAY AND YOM HASHOAH,
THE DAY OF
REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE
WHO SUFFERED AS
VICTIMS OF THE
HOLOCAUST**

H.P. 983

WHEREAS, from 1933 to 1945, 6,000,000 Jews were murdered in the Holocaust as part of a systematic program of genocide, and millions of other people suffered as victims of Nazism; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Maine should always remember the atrocities committed by the Nazis so that such horrors are never repeated; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Maine should always remember those who liberated the Nazi concentration camps, some at the cost of their lives and others with lifelong emotional suffering, as holding an honored place in our history; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Maine should continually rededicate themselves to the principle of equal justice for all people, remain eternally vigilant against all tyranny and recognize that bigotry provides a breeding ground for tyranny to flourish; and

WHEREAS, March 14, 2007 has been designated as the Holocaust and Human Rights Center's Legislative Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, April 15, 2007 has been designated internationally as a Day of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust and is known as Yom HaShoah; and

WHEREAS, the national community, pursuant to an Act of Congress, will be commemorating the week of April 15th to April 22nd as the Days of

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Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust, with “Children in Crisis: Voices from the Holocaust” as the focus for the 2007 observance; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the people of the State of Maine to join in this international commemoration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-third Legislature, now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, pause in solemn memory of the victims of the Holocaust, urge one and all to recommit themselves to the lessons of the Holocaust through the Holocaust and Human Rights Center's Legislative Awareness Day and the week of commemoration and express our common desire to continually strive to overcome prejudice and inhumanity through education, vigilance and resistance; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council in Washington, D.C., and the Maine Congressional Delegation, on behalf of the people of the State of Maine.

**Read and adopted by the House of Representatives
March 13, 2007 and the Senate March 15, 2007.**
