

Proclamation



WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress passed and authorized a bill that would allow President Carter to designate a special week in April or May for Jewish heritage celebrations. Finally, in April of 2006, the whole month of May was dedicated to recognizing and honoring Jewish contributions and achievements; and

WHEREAS, the biblical and contemporary history of the Jewish people and the enduring values of the Jewish faith were vital sources of inspiration for the founding of the United States, the Civil Rights movement, America's global leadership in the cause of freedom, Americans' commitment to social justice, and many of our Country's most central tenets; and

WHEREAS, through core Jewish beliefs such as the creation of man in the image of God, the infinite value of every human life, the need for a weekly Sabbath, and the importance of education in the lives of children, the Jewish community has helped to define America's character and values; and

WHEREAS, following the rebirth of Zionism and the miraculous return of the Jewish people to the Jewish homeland, the United States was the first country in the world to recognize the State of Israel in 1948, and over the years has developed a deep friendship and unbreakable alliance with the State of Israel based upon shared values and mutual interests; and

WHEREAS, over the decades, the State of Israel has been a beacon of freedom and prosperity and a world leader in technology, agriculture, water conservation, medicine, and all manner of innovation. Let us honor the timeless values, contributions, and the culture of the Jewish Americans, who carry our Nation forward each and every day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rex Hardin, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission and residents of Pompano Beach, do hereby recognize the Month of May 2024 as:

JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

in the City of Pompano Beach, Florida.

I call upon all Americans to learn more about the heritage and contributions of Jewish Americans and to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities and ceremonies.

DONE this 14th day of May, 2024.



**REX HARDIN
MAYOR**