



City of Bellevue

# Proclamation

**Whereas:** January 27 marks International Holocaust Remembrance Day, established by the United Nations General Assembly to commemorate the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi concentration and extermination camp and honor the memory of those who perished; and

**Whereas:** January 27, 2025, solemnly marks 80 years since the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, a milestone that underscores the passage of time and the enduring responsibility to remember; and

**Whereas:** on this day and every day, we honor the memory of the six million Jews who were systematically murdered by Adolf Hitler and the Nazi regime, alongside millions of other innocent victims, including people with disabilities, political dissidents, and others targeted for persecution; and

**Whereas:** International Holocaust Remembrance Day serves as a profound reminder of the dangers of hatred, bigotry and antisemitism emphasizing the urgent need for education, vigilance and action to prevent such atrocities from ever occurring again; and

**Whereas:** it is our shared duty to ensure the lessons of the Holocaust remain a cornerstone of our collective memory and to honor the resilience, courage and humanity of those who survived and rebuilt their lives in the face of unimaginable loss.

**Now, therefore, I,** Lynne Robinson, Mayor of Bellevue, Washington, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim January 27, 2025 as:

## International Holocaust Remembrance Day

in Bellevue, and I encourage all residents to join in solemn remembrance of the victims, educate themselves about the Holocaust and work together to confront and eradicate antisemitism in all its forms.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Robinson", followed by a horizontal line.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor  
City of Bellevue