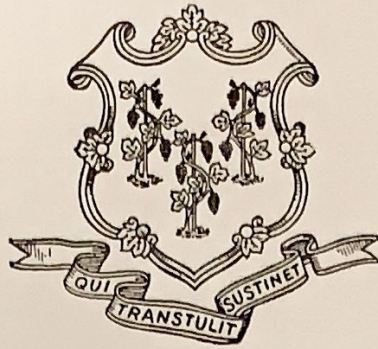


State of



Connecticut

By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: a
PROCLAMATION

Whereas proclaimed by the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights: "All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights [...] without distinction of any kind, such as race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status [...] Everyone has the right to life, liberty and the security of person."

Intolerance, violence, and violation of human rights have no place in our global society. The history of the Sikh Genocide offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments.

The events that occurred in 1984, mark in sorrow the loss of countless Sikh lives, a great loss for both the Sikh community and the global citizenry. The citizens of the State of Connecticut should remember the terrible events of the Sikh Genocide, and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny.

We must ensure that discrimination and violence do not take place in our community and to protect human rights universally.

Therefore, in accordance with the laws of the State of Connecticut, I, Ned Lamont, Governor, do hereby proclaim November 1st to be, in perpetuity,

SIKH GENOCIDE REMEMBRANCE DAY

In the state of Connecticut

Given under my hand and seal of the State at the Capitol, in Hartford, this fourth day of November, two thousand and twenty and of the independence of the United States the two hundred forty-fourth.



Ned Lamont

by His Excellency's Command

Dennis W. Merrill

Secretary of the State