

Commemoration and Remembrance - 76th Memorial Day of the State of Israel "זוכרים ביחד - Remembering Together"

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Dear Friends,

We thank you for your interest in taking part in the "Remembering Together - זוכרים ביחד" project by holding a unique memorial ceremony in your community, for Israel's Fallen Soldiers and Victims of Hostile Acts in Israel and in the Diaspora.

Attached herewith is a link to a variety of content from Israel's official Yom HaZikaron ceremonies, which will assist you in holding the memorial ceremonies, according to your choice and the needs of your community: <u>www.remembering-together.org</u>

We would appreciate if send us the date and location where the ceremony will take place. Emails can be sent to <u>Yor-wzo@wzo.org.il</u>.

We would also appreciate you documenting the ceremony, so that we can enhance the feeling of our common destiny as one united people.

"Is Ephraim a son who is dear to Me? Is he a child who is dandled? For whenever I speak of him, I still remember him" (Jeremiah 31:19)

Sincerely,

Yaakov Hagoel Chairman of the World Zionist Organization



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Background

The atrocities of October 7th proved to us once again how strong the bond is between Israel and world Jewry. The largest attack against the Jewish people since the Holocaust, will be a wound that will stay with us forever. Along with the sharp increase in Antisemitic attacks worldwide, we witnessed enormous support and solidarity of world Jewry with the State of Israel, in its most difficult of times. This year, more than ever, it is essential to strengthen the resilience of the Jewish people and its existential bond with the State of Israel, for the future of Israel and the Jewish people worldwide.

On the 76th Remembrance Day of the State of Israel, which will take place on 5 Iyar 5784, May 13, 2024, we will unite together as a people and as a nation to commemorate and remember the brave IDF soldiers and victims of terror in Israel and around the world. The magnitude of the tragedies we have endured as a people necessitates that it will no longer be only an Israeli commemoration day but a worldwide Jewish event. Therefore, it is essential that we come together as a people in Israel and across the world to commemorate all those who lost their lives.

About "Remembering Together – זוכרים ביחד"

The World Zionist Organization, the Ministry of Defense, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry for Diaspora Affairs and Combating Antisemitism and the Ruderman Family Foundation have joined forces in launching a new initiative - "Remembering Together – "Tוכרים ביחד" – which emphasizes the importance of having a collective commemoration of the fallen IDF soldiers, and the victims of terror in Israel and worldwide by the entire Jewish people across the world, during the 76th Yom Hazikaron of the State of Israel.

Goals

1) **Unity** - In the aftermath of October 7th, and in view of the scourge of Antisemitism worldwide, it is crucial to maintain global unity across the Jewish people worldwide, and to come together in memory of the brave IDF soldiers, and the victims of terror in Israel and abroad.













- 2) Commemoration and remembrance The scale of the tragedy we've endured as a people, requires that this year we remember and mourn the murdered victims globally, emphasizing our bond of a shared destiny.
- 3) Resilience Israel and the Jewish people worldwide are stronger together, therefore, uniting in mourning and standing tall together to ensure our prosperity and safety, will lead to a more resilient Israel and Jewish people.

Taking action

- **Ceremonies** we believe that all the Jewish communities, organizations, and institutions across the world should unite in prayer and in commemoration of all those who lost their lives in horrific attacks against our people. We invite everyone across the world to hold memorial ceremonies and events in their communities, whether it is in schools, synagogues, community centers, homes, etc.
- Website a new website for the "Remembering Together גוכרים ביחד initiative was created to convey all the relevant materials produced especially for world Jewry. These may be used to hold ceremonies and events, and they include relevant texts, personal stories, videos, prayers, a database of Jews from the diaspora who died in Antisemitic attacks and more. All the content is available in the website https://www.remembering-together.org.
- Awareness the "Remembering Together "זוכרים ביחד" initiative comes with a logo that can be used by everyone in various documents, photos, videos, and more, which could aid in raising awareness towards the importance of remembering together. We encourage you to use the title "Remembering Together – "זוכרים ביחד" as part of your ceremonies and events with the logos attached. In addition, we encourage you to help us to raise global awareness towards this initiative by sharing this on social media, under the hashtag: #rememberingtogether. Click here to access the package.











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