



VILLAGE OF GLENCOE PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2026 AS JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH IN THE VILLAGE OF GLENCOE

WHEREAS, the Village of Glencoe strives to be an inclusive and understanding community in which all citizens are respected and celebrated for their unique and important contributions; and

WHEREAS, the Village's Welcoming and Inclusive Community Pledge affirms the Village's long held stance against hate and discrimination, and recognizes that people of all backgrounds contribute to our democracy, culture and economy, and the Glencoe Council for Inclusion and Community seeks to incorporate the tenets of this pledge and promote inclusion of all people in the community; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 370 years, Jews have profoundly contributed to America's history, society, and culture; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, President George W. Bush established May as Jewish American Heritage Month to honor the long history of Jewish Americans and the many contributions of Jewish Americans to American culture, history, military, science, government, education, and all areas of American life; and

WHEREAS, the proud heritage of Jewish Americans is a reminder of our nation's constitutional commitment to religious freedom and the importance of a dedication to community and history; and

WHEREAS, the United States is experiencing a dramatic and concerning rise in antisemitic activity, and in recent years, Jewish Americans have been the targets of 68 percent of religiously based hate crimes and bias-based incidents despite constituting less than 2% of the U.S. population; and

WHEREAS, our must reaffirm our rejection of antisemitic bigotry and our commitment to never compromise our steadfast support for the Jewish community; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Glencoe is home to many Jewish Americans and houses of worship, each of which have contributed and continue to contribute to the rich fabric of our community and is steadfast in its commitment to growing Glencoe as a welcoming and inclusive community in which all individuals are recognized and valued.



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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Glencoe do hereby resolve that Jewish American Heritage Month be observed in the Glencoe community during the month of May 2026.

Dated this 16th day of April A.D., 2026, at the Village of Glencoe, Cook County, Illinois.

Howard J. Roin, Village President

Philip A. Kiraly, Village Clerk