

March 14, 1990

STATE OF COLORADO

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONORARY PROCLAMATION
ARMENIAN MARTYRS DAY
APRIL 24, 1990

WHEREAS, on April 24, 1915, the Ottoman Turks arrested and killed 250 Armenian community leaders and intellectuals, an act which signaled the genocide that was to follow; and

WHEREAS, the Turks then massacred 1.5 million Armenians and drove many million more into exile from their ancient homeland; and

WHEREAS, some of those exiles eventually found a new home in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the suffering of the ancestors of their compatriots, all Coloradans should take time to recall the memory of the Armenian martyrs and yet another epoch in history when justice and compassion gave way to senseless slaughter and hatred;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado, proclaim April 24, 1990, as

ARMENIAN MARTYRS DAY

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this fourteenth day of March, 1990

(SIGNED)
Roy Romer
Governor