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**IN RECOGNITION OF**  
**April 24, 2007**  
**Ohio Day of Remembrance**  
**For the 92<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the**  
**Armenian Genocide, 1915 to 1923**

Today, I ask Ohioans to honor those who died in the Armenian Genocide, conceived and carried out by the Ottoman Empire, by recognizing their suffering resulting from the deportation of nearly 2 million Armenians. Of these 1.5 million men, women, and children were killed and one-half million were expelled from their homes. These acts succeeded in the elimination of a more than 2,500-year presence of Armenians in their historic homeland.

All Ohioans embrace freedom, justice and human dignity. We have a collective responsibility to uphold these values and to focus the world's attention on human rights abuses, ethnic cleansing, and genocide.

Armenian-Americans throughout Ohio are joined by all those devoted to ending the cycle of crimes against humanity.

Ted Strickland,

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Governor

