

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *on April 24, 1915, the Ottoman Turks rounded up, deported and massacred 600 Armenian leaders, writers, thinkers and professionals in Constantinople and other major cities along with 5,000 Armenians who were killed in the streets and in their homes; and*

WHEREAS, *the extermination from 1915 to 1923, of more than 1,500,000 Christian Armenians and the forced deportation of others represents the first case of genocide of the 20th century; and*

WHEREAS, *during the Genocide, Armenians were forced to witness the slaughter of their relatives and the loss of their ancestral homeland and property;*


NOW, THEREFORE, I, James B. Gibson, Mayor of the City of Henderson, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2007, as

***A Day of Remembrance for the Armenian Genocide
1915 to 1923***


in Henderson and urge all citizens to remember this horrific instance in history in guarding against recurrence of genocide of any kind.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Henderson to be affixed this 22nd day of April 2007.




JAMES B. GIBSON
Mayor of Henderson

ATTEST:


MONICA M. SIMMONS, CMC
City Clerk