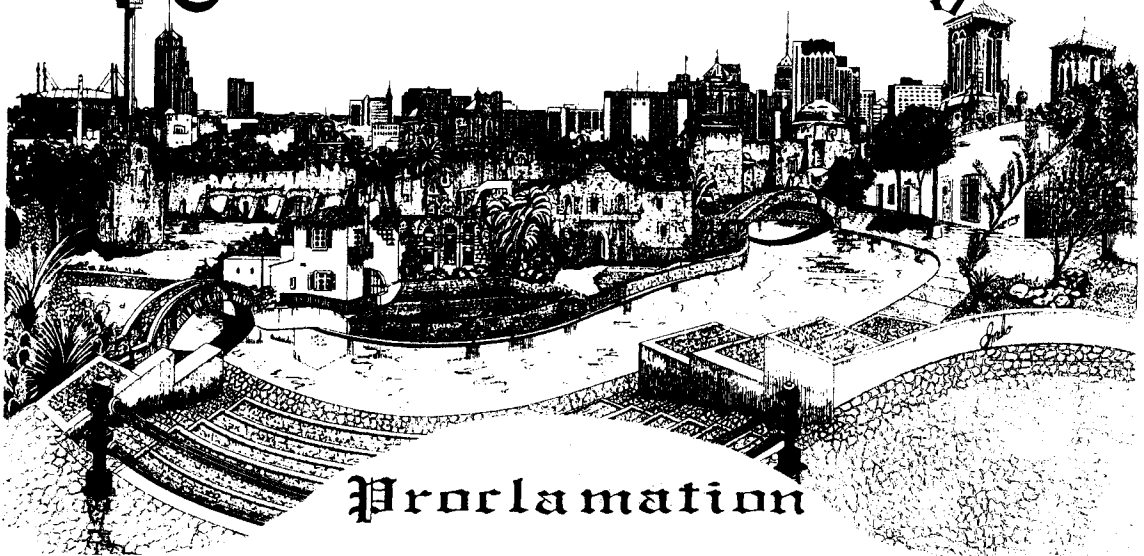


City of San Antonio



Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** ON APRIL 24, 2005, ARMENIANS AROUND THE WORLD WILL COMMEMORATE THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE; AND
- WHEREAS,** DURING THE FIRST WORLD WAR, THE TURKISH EMPIRE MASSACRED APPROXIMATELY 1.5 MILLION MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF THE ARMENIAN POPULATION IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY'S FIRST GENOCIDES; AND
- WHEREAS,** ALTHOUGH THE SURVIVORS OF THIS MASSACRE WERE SCATTERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD, THEY HAVE MAINTAINED THEIR IDENTITY AND UNITY, WHILE PASSING ALONG TO EACH GENERATION KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THEIR LANGUAGE, HISTORY AND CULTURE; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO JOINS IN THIS OBSERVANCE, AND URGES ALL CITIZENS TO COMMEMORATE THIS TRAGIC EVENT IN WORLD HISTORY, AND TO STRENGTHEN OUR COMMITMENT TO THE CAUSE OF LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDWARD D. GARZA, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, IN RECOGNITION THEREOF, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 24, 2005, TO BE

"ARMENIAN GENOCIDE REMEMBRANCE DAY"

IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO BE AFFIXED THIS 21ST DAY APRIL, 2005.



EDWARD D. GARZA
MAYOR