

> To whom it may concern:

> Thank you for taking time to read this letter. I plan to attend the hearing on the 20th (unless I am called for jury duty on the 19th). I'm asking you to please pass this bill-SB664.

> I grew up in a school district that taught about actual events of history, including the Holocaust. It impacted me greatly as a youth to understand what happened and why under Hitler's reign. I remember a survivor of the holocaust coming and speaking to our school and I was horrified at the cruelty and devastation. I went on to study it more through the years and am currently reading holocaust survivor, Viktor Frankel's book "Man's search for Meaning". I have taken my kids to hear holocaust survivor, Alter Wiener speak and sadly he recently passed away and I believe it is important to educate the children about this event in history. As an educator myself and mother of five and grandmother of one I try to teach them how to be kind, tolerant and peaceful. We have hosted many exchange students and love learning about others cultures and ideas. I believe it is important to make sure what was done in the past is not forgotten as well as not repeated. Knowing & understanding the past teaches us what not to let happen in the future. All people should be treated respectfully--all races, creeds, colors, nationalities, religious groups and so forth. We all deserve this inalienable right and need to teach equality and respect to our children. In today's day and age there is too much violence already and learning about specific events in history & preserving them are vitally important to caring for our future and creating a peaceful world to live in.

> Sincerely,

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