



State of New Jersey  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Adoption Resolution  
May 6, 2020

**Resolution in Honor of Mrs. Margit Feldman**

**Whereas**, longtime New Jersey resident Mrs. Margit Feldman survived imprisonment in a series of Nazi concentration camps in her youth, where she was forced to perform hard labor and had the identification “A23029” tattooed on her arm; and

**Whereas**, Mrs. Feldman was liberated from the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in Germany on April 15, 1945; and

**Whereas**, Mrs. Feldman emigrated to the United States approximately two years later and eventually settled in New Jersey; and

**Whereas**, Mrs. Feldman shared her remarkable story of surviving the Holocaust by speaking to many students over the years and through her 2003 memoir “Margit: A Teenager’s Journey Through the Holocaust and Beyond” and the 2016 documentary “Not A23029”; and

**Whereas**, Mrs. Feldman helped pass the state laws that created the New Jersey Holocaust Education Commission and mandated that curricula in New Jersey’s public elementary and secondary schools include instruction about the Holocaust and genocide; and

**Whereas**, Mrs. Feldman was an original member of the New Jersey Holocaust Education Commission and a founding member of the Holocaust and Genocide Institute at Raritan Valley Community College; and

**Whereas**, the Commission was such personal and important work to Mrs. Feldman that it became a family affair and she recruited her husband Harvey, who also recently passed away, to photograph New Jersey Holocaust Education Commission events; and

**Whereas**, Mrs. Feldman, a mother of two and grandmother of three, was active in her synagogue and with organizations like the Jewish Federation of Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren Counties; and now therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education recognize and posthumously honor Mrs. Margit Feldman and her commitment to teaching students about the Holocaust and ensuring the atrocities of genocide will never be forgotten.

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Secretary, N.J. State Board of Education

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Kathy Goldenberg, President  
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