

WOLYN RESOLUTION by the Polish American Congress

October 12, 2024

Whereas, the Council of National Directors of the Polish American Congress desires to adopt the following resolution.

Whereas, the tragic and intentional mass killing of approximately 100,000 Poles by the Ukrainian Insurgent Army took place between 1943-1945 in the Volhynia region of Nazi occupied Poland was discussed and approved a resolution at the Council of Directors meeting in Chicago, Illinois on October 12, 2024.

Whereas, for decades, the massacre which took place has not been discussed or denied by Ukraine.

Whereas, the tragedy and brutality that occurred is part of history and the lives lost cannot be brought back.

Whereas, thousands of people were forced to witness the execution of their families and neighbors tortured to death.

Whereas, In present terms, this was a genocide or ethnic cleansing to eliminate the Poles.

Whereas, this matter has been addressed in the past and we expect the Ukrainian government to respect the demands of Poland and allow the bodies of the murdered victims to be exhumed from their graves and given the proper burials.

Whereas, the Polish American Congress supports the Polish government toward reconciliation, particularly considering Poland's open door policy to Ukrainians in lite of the war with Russia.

This resolution was adopted by the Council of Dirctors at its meeting on October 12, 2024