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The holiday period should be the most joyous time of year, but it can be an especially difficult time for victims of violent crimes and their families. The Tree of Angels, created by People Against Violent Crime, has become a restorative and educational tradition in many communities throughout the state, as surviving victims of violent crime and their families are invited to bring an angel ornament for placement on a special Christmas tree.

Since 1982, People Against Violent Crime has worked to ensure crime victims' rights are upheld, to support surviving family members, and to remember those who have been lost to senseless violence.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to join PAVC, along with public and private organizations, in recognizing crime victims, their families, and those who work to prevent crime. As a state, our continuing goal is to ensure swift and effective justice, and to bring healing to victims and their loved ones.

Therefore, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby recognize December 5–11, 2011, to be

Tree of Angels Week

in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this the 14th day of November, 2011.



Rick Perry
Governor of Texas