

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 30**
102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

1 **WHEREAS**, Israel has been granted her lands under and through the oldest deed, as
2 recorded in the Torah or Old Testament, a tome of scripture held sacred and revered by Jews
3 and Christians alike; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, Missouri recognizes the claim and presence of the Jewish people in
6 Israel that has remained constant throughout the past four thousand years; and
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8 **WHEREAS**, Missouri recognizes Israel's declared independence and self-governance
9 that began on May 14, 1948, with the goal of reestablishing its legally recognized lands as a
10 homeland for the Jewish people; and
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12 **WHEREAS**, Missouri's son, U.S. President Harry S. Truman, was the first world
13 leader to officially recognize Israel as a legitimate Jewish state on May 14, 1948, only eleven
14 minutes after its creation; and
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16 **WHEREAS**, Missouri agrees with and supports the U.S. presidential decision on
17 December 6, 2017, to recognize Jerusalem as the eternal capital of Israel; and
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19 **WHEREAS**, the United States of America and the state of Missouri have enjoyed a
20 close and mutually beneficial relationship with Israel and its people; and
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22 **WHEREAS**, Israel is a great friend and ally of the United States of America in the
23 Middle East; and
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25 **WHEREAS**, beginning on October 7, 2023, Hamas attacked Israel, indiscriminately
26 raping, torturing, and killing over 1,200 innocent persons, including Israelis, Americans, and
27 other nationals, among whom were babies and Holocaust survivors, and taking 240 Israelis,
28 Americans, and other civilians as hostages; and

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30 **WHEREAS**, since October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists and their allies have launched
31 over 7,400 rockets into southern and central Israel, the sole goal of which was to kill Israeli
32 civilians; and

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34 **WHEREAS**, Missouri aims to express solidarity with the people of Israel in its fight
35 against terrorism; and

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37 **WHEREAS**, civilian casualties are a concern in any conflict, and holding those
38 responsible for such casualties accountable is a shared value; and

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40 **WHEREAS**, Missouri acknowledges Israel's sovereign right and duty to defend its
41 citizens and therefore to prosecute the war until the threat posed by Hamas and other terrorist
42 organizations is eradicated; and

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44 **WHEREAS**, Israel has a long history of standing in strong support of the United
45 States, its people, and its democratic values, in stark contrast to the extremist regimes that are
46 providing financing and other support for the terrorist organizations that threaten Israel:

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48 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of
49 Representatives of the One Hundred Second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the
50 Senate concurring therein, hereby commend Israel for its cordial and mutually beneficial
51 relationship with the United States of America and the state of Missouri since 1948 and
52 believe that the relationship shall continue to strengthen and be valued in this state and in this
53 country, in all its dimensions; and

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55 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Missouri supports Israel's right to exist and
56 recognizes Jerusalem as the eternal capital of Israel; and

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58 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Missouri stands in unequivocal support of
59 Israel in its efforts to defend its citizens and eliminate the threat posed by Hamas and other
60 terrorist organizations, including Islamic Jihad; and

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62 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Missouri supports Israel's inalienable right to
63 prosecute the war until the threat posed by Hamas and other terrorist organizations is
64 eradicated, with the hope for a swift and just resolution to the conflict; and

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66 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Missouri unequivocally hold Hamas and other
67 terrorist organizations accountable for all civilian casualties as Israel seeks to eradicate
68 Hamas and the threat it poses to innocent lives; and

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70 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Missouri calls on the United States government
71 to continue to stand with the people of Israel in their time of need, support the victims of the
72 recent terrorist attack against the State of Israel, and work towards the total eradication of the
73 threat posed by Hamas; and

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75 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
76 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for
77 Consul General Maor Elbaz-Starinsky, Miami, Florida, members of the Missouri
78 Congressional delegation, and the President of the United States, Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

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