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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The modern state of Israel is celebrating the 75th  
2 anniversary of its founding in 2023; and

3           WHEREAS, In 1922, the League of Nations adopted a binding  
4 resolution recognizing the legal basis for the establishment of the  
5 modern state of Israel as a home for the Jewish people in the  
6 historical region of the land of Israel, including the areas of  
7 Judea, Samaria, and eastern Jerusalem; the resolution was  
8 subsequently affirmed by both houses of the United States Congress;  
9 and

10           WHEREAS, Ruled in ancient times by the kingdom of Israel,  
11 this region has held a special place in the hearts of Jews for more  
12 than two thousand years; while some maintained a Jewish presence in  
13 the land during the long period of exile, members of the global  
14 diaspora continued to feel a profound spiritual and emotional  
15 connection; and

16           WHEREAS, Modern Israel took its place on the world stage on  
17 May 14, 1948, following the decimation of European Jewry during the  
18 Holocaust; the creation of the sovereign and independent state of  
19 Israel provided a legally recognized homeland for the Jewish  
20 people; in 1949, after Israel held its first election, the United  
21 States government established full diplomatic relations with the  
22 new country; ever since, our nations have remained close allies,  
23 united by cultural values and strategic interests; and

24           WHEREAS, Guided by their own Declaration of Independence, the

1 people of Israel have developed a pluralistic, democratic political  
2 system, a vibrant society, and an advanced, entrepreneurial  
3 economy; the nation has taken in millions of Jews from the diaspora  
4 and enjoys peaceful bilateral relations with neighbors in the  
5 region, including Egypt, Jordan, Bahrain, Morocco, the United Arab  
6 Emirates, and Sudan; in times of need, it sends humanitarian aid,  
7 search and rescue teams, mobile hospitals, and emergency supplies  
8 to help the victims of disasters; and

9       WHEREAS, Texans cherish a special friendship with Israel, and  
10 the nation and the Lone Star State have strong economic ties; Israel  
11 is one of Texas' strongest partners for trade and investment in the  
12 Middle East, and top commodities exchanged include industrial  
13 machinery, aircraft parts, and plastics; many Israeli companies  
14 currently operate in Texas, notably in the aerospace and energy  
15 sectors; and

16       WHEREAS, Texas and Israel share a profound commitment to  
17 liberty, independence, and economic opportunity, and this bond is  
18 sure to deepen in the years to come; now, therefore, be it

19       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
20 Legislature hereby commemorate the 75th anniversary of the founding  
21 of the modern state of Israel.