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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas and the State of Israel share a
2 deep and enduring friendship rooted in mutual values, economic
3 ties, and a commitment to democracy and security; and

4 WHEREAS, Since the establishment of diplomatic relations
5 between the United States and Israel in 1949, the bond between the
6 two nations has grown stronger, and Texas has played a significant
7 role in fostering economic, cultural, and strategic partnerships
8 with Israel; and

9 WHEREAS, Israel is a leader in technological innovation,
10 cybersecurity, energy, agriculture, and water conservation, which
11 are all areas that align closely with Texas' economic strengths;
12 those shared interests help to foster collaborative opportunities
13 for businesses, universities, and research institutions in both
14 regions; and

15 WHEREAS, Texas and Israel maintain a robust trade
16 relationship, and Texas ranks among the top U.S. states for exports
17 to Israel, contributing billions of dollars annually to the
18 economies of both regions through trade in the technology, medical
19 equipment, and defense industries; and

20 WHEREAS, Texas and Israel have benefited immeasurably
21 through their decades-long alliance, and the regions have
22 demonstrated a steadfast commitment to promoting stability and
23 prosperity; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas

1 hereby reaffirm the enduring bond between Texas and Israel and
2 express its continued support for expanding economic, educational,
3 and cultural ties between the two regions; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Texas House of Representatives and Senate
5 hereby:

6 (a) express continuing support for the bilateral trade
7 agreement between the United States and Israel; and

8 (b) express support for a Texas Trade and Investment Office
9 in Jerusalem, Israel, the eternal, undivided capital of the State
10 of Israel, to be the center of trade and investment activities for
11 Israel and countries that are a part of the Abraham Accords or have
12 a signed peace treaty with Israel; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Texas House of Representatives and Senate
14 hereby recognize Israel for its contributions to global security,
15 technological advancements, and humanitarian efforts, and reaffirm
16 their commitment to deepening cooperation in areas of shared
17 interest; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the Texas Secretary of State forward official
19 copies of this resolution to the Governor of Texas, to the President
20 of the United States, to the Israeli Ambassador to the United
21 States, and to the Consul General of Israel to Texas as an
22 expression of the sentiments of the Texas House of Representatives
23 and Senate.