

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Israel has been granted her lands under and through
2 the oldest recorded deed, as recorded in the Old Testament, a tome
3 of scripture held sacred and revered by Jews and Christians alike,
4 as presenting the acts and words of God; and

5 WHEREAS, The claim and presence of the Jewish people in
6 Israel has remained constant throughout the past 4,000 years of
7 history; and

8 WHEREAS, The legal basis for the establishment of the modern
9 State of Israel was a binding resolution under international law,
10 which was unanimously adopted by the League of Nations in 1922 and
11 subsequently affirmed by both houses of the United States Congress;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, This resolution affirmed the establishment of a
14 national home for the Jewish people in the historical region of the
15 Land of Israel, including the areas of Judea, Samaria, and
16 Jerusalem; and

17 WHEREAS, Article 80 of the United Nations charter recognized
18 the continued validity of the rights granted to states or peoples
19 that already existed under international instruments, and,
20 therefore, the 1922 League of Nations resolution remains valid, and
21 the 650,000 Jews currently residing in the areas of Judea, Samaria,
22 and eastern Jerusalem reside there legitimately; and

23 WHEREAS, Israel declared its independence and
24 self-governance on May 14, 1948, with the goal of reestablishing
25 its God-given and legally recognized lands as a homeland for the
26 Jewish people; and

1 WHEREAS, The United States, having been the first country to
2 recognize Israel as an independent nation and as Israel's principal
3 ally, has enjoyed a close and mutually beneficial relationship with
4 Israel and her people; and

5 WHEREAS, Israel is the greatest friend and ally of the United
6 States in the Middle East and the values of our two nations are so
7 intertwined that it is impossible to separate one from the other;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, There are those in the Middle East who have
10 continually sought to destroy Israel, from the time of its
11 inception as a state, and those same enemies of Israel also hate,
12 and seek to destroy, the United States; and

13 WHEREAS, The State of Texas and Israel have enjoyed cordial
14 and mutually beneficial relations since 1948, a friendship that
15 continues to strengthen with each passing year; now, therefore, be
16 it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
18 Legislature hereby commend Israel for its cordial and mutually
19 beneficial relationship with the United States and with the State
20 of Texas and support Israel in its legal, historical, moral, and
21 God-given right of self-governance and self-defense upon the
22 entirety of its own lands, recognizing that Israel is neither an
23 attacking force nor an occupier of the lands of others, and that
24 peace can be afforded the region only through a whole and united
25 Israel.

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H.R. No. 44

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 44 was adopted by the House on March 20, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House