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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Hamas was founded with the stated goal of destroying
- 2 the State of Israel and has been designated by the United States as
- 3 a Foreign Terrorist Organization; and
- WHEREAS, The Hamas terrorist organization launched a brutal,
- 5 highly organized, and unprecedented attack upon Israel and its
- 6 citizens in the early morning hours of October 7, 2023; and
- WHEREAS, In its attack, Hamas has killed hundreds of innocent
- 8 civilians and taken hundreds of Israeli children, women, elderly,
- 9 and infirm civilians hostage; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In its attack, Hamas has fired thousands of rockets
- 11 against Israeli population centers in an attempt to kill untold
- 12 numbers of innocent civilians; and
- WHEREAS, The level of logistical sophistication demonstrated
- 14 in this Hamas terrorism operation indicates its receipt of support
- 15 and funding from foreign state sponsors of terror, namely Iran; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The timing of this Hamas terrorism operation to
- 17 coincide with the observance of the Jewish Sabbath and celebration
- 18 of the Sukkoth holiday demonstrates the intent to maximize civilian
- 19 casualties; and
- WHEREAS, Hamas continues to brazenly locate elements of its
- 21 terrorist infrastructure in civilian population centers using
- 22 civilians as human shields; now, therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 24 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby

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- 1 1. Reaffirm its support and unwavering commitment to the
- 2 welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel;
- 3 2. Recognize Israel's right to act decisively and
- 4 unilaterally in self-defense to protect its citizens;
- 5 3. Express its support for Israel's right to pursue without
- 6 interference or condemnation the elimination of Hamas until Hamas
- 7 is permanently neutralized and public safety is assured;
- 8 4. Convey its most heartfelt condolences to all Israeli
- 9 victims as well as their families and communities;
- 10 5. Call upon Texas law enforcement to remain vigilant in
- 11 protecting Israeli Americans, Jewish Americans, and all supporters
- 12 of Israel from acts of crime and unlawful discrimination that tend
- 13 to manifest at such times;
- 14 6. Encourage all other American states to likewise condemn
- 15 Hamas as well as any official body that refuses to recognize
- 16 Israel's right to act decisively in self-defense to protect its
- 17 citizens; and
- 7. Call upon the United States to provide all assistance as
- 19 may be required to support Israel in its defense against Hamas and
- 20 all other terrorist organizations.