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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The State of Israel has confirmed the return of the
2 remains of four of its citizens, Shiri Bibas, her sons Ariel and
3 Kfir Bibas, and Oded Lifshitz, who were tragically killed while
4 being held in captivity by Hamas; and

5 WHEREAS, These innocent lives were lost through acts of
6 unspeakable cruelty, and the deaths are deeply felt not only by the
7 victims' families and by the people of Israel but by all who stand
8 against terrorism and violence; and

9 WHEREAS, Shiri Bibas was 32 years old when she was abducted
10 from her home in Kibbutz Nir Oz in southern Israel on October 7,
11 2023, along with Ariel, age four, and Kfir, who was just nine months
12 old; her husband and the children's father, Yarden Bibas, was also
13 taken captive in the Hamas attack; he was released on February 1,
14 2025; and

15 WHEREAS, Oded Lifshitz was 83 years old at the time he was
16 abducted by Hamas militants in Kibbutz Nir Oz, and his life was
17 unjustly taken from him while being held prisoner; he leaves behind
18 his wife, Yocheved Lifshitz, who was kidnapped on the same day and
19 released on October 24, 2023; and

20 WHEREAS, While no words can fully heal the suffering caused
21 by this horrific tragedy, we offer our heartfelt condolences to the
22 surviving loved ones of those who were killed, and we affirm the
23 determination that we share with the Israeli people to stand strong
24 against the threat of terrorism; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the lives of Shiri Bibas, Ariel
3 Bibas, Kfir Bibas, and Oded Lifshitz and extend deepest sympathy to
4 their families and to all who mourn their passing.