

House Resolution 3 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3

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1 A Resolution affirming Iowa's support for the State of
2 Israel.

3 WHEREAS, Iowa and the State of Israel have enjoyed
4 a longstanding and robust partnership rooted in shared
5 democratic values, a dedication to freedom, dignity,
6 and justice, and mutual respect for the rule of
7 law; and

8 WHEREAS, Iowa and the State of Israel share a deep
9 cultural and religious connection, as Iowa is home to
10 vibrant Jewish communities whose ties to Israel are
11 integral to their heritage; and

12 WHEREAS, Iowa's communities have cultivated a
13 longstanding and meaningful partnership with the
14 Western Galilee region of Israel through cultural,
15 educational, and humanitarian initiatives and recognize
16 the profound impact the recent conflict with terrorist
17 organizations has had on the Western Galilee region,
18 its residents, and Israeli society; and

1 WHEREAS, Iowa stands in solidarity with the victims
2 and families in Israel affected by the horrific attack
3 on October 7, 2023, by Hamas, a radical terrorist
4 organization, and fervently hopes for the safe return
5 of all remaining hostages taken on that day; and

6 WHEREAS, the economic partnership between Iowa and
7 the State of Israel has flourished over the years,
8 fostering collaboration in areas such as agriculture,
9 insurance, technology, and education; and

10 WHEREAS, Iowa's agricultural heritage aligns with
11 the State of Israel's innovative advancements in water
12 conservation, irrigation, and food production, creating
13 opportunities for mutual growth and innovation; and

14 WHEREAS, the State of Israel is a vital ally of the
15 United States in the Middle East, playing a key role
16 in promoting stability, democracy, and peace in the
17 region; and

18 WHEREAS, Iowa remains committed to supporting the
19 State of Israel's sovereignty and absolute right to
20 exist and defend itself against terrorism and threats
21 to its people; and

22 WHEREAS, the people of Iowa stand in solidarity with
23 the Jewish community in Iowa and across the world,
24 denouncing all forms of antisemitism; and

25 WHEREAS, Iowa values its enduring friendship with
26 the State of Israel and acknowledges the importance of
27 continuing to strengthen this relationship for future
28 generations; NOW THEREFORE,

29 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
30 the House of Representatives reaffirms its unwavering

1 support for the State of Israel and its people; and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of
3 Representatives celebrates its shared values and mutual
4 interests with the State of Israel, emphasizing the
5 importance of continued collaboration in economic,
6 cultural, and technological endeavors; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of
8 Representatives encourages Iowa's residents to engage
9 in educational and cultural exchanges that deepen
10 understanding and appreciation of the partnership
11 between Iowa and the State of Israel; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of
13 Representatives condemns any form of antisemitism,
14 terrorism, or violence that seeks to undermine the
15 State of Israel's security or the well-being of the
16 Jewish community in Iowa and Israel; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of
18 Representatives supports the State of Israel's
19 sovereignty and right to pursue, without interference
20 or condemnation, the elimination of any terrorist group
21 until all such groups are permanently neutralized and
22 Israelis can live in peace.