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Representative Stoltzfus

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the State of Israel
on its Seventy-fifth Anniversary.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate the State of 2
Israel on the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of its independence; and 3

WHEREAS, On May 14, 1948, the independent State of Israel was 4
formally established following many years of foreign rule, and the 5
United States became one of the very first nations to recognize its 6
existence a mere eleven minutes later. In the seven and a half decades 7
since, our countries have enjoyed continued support, working together 8
in common cause in a number of areas, and clearly, this international 9
partnership is a testament to the long-lasting bonds of respect and 10
cooperation that binds our two republics together; and 11

WHEREAS, The people of Israel have established a parliamentary 12
democracy that incorporates the freedoms cherished by the people of 13
the United States, including freedom of speech, freedom of religion, 14
freedom of association, freedom of the press, and a government by the 15
consent of the governed. Israel continues to serve as a shining model 16
of democratic values, and it has become a world leader in such areas 17
as economics, technology, health care, energy, and humanitarianism. 18
The Israeli government worked with the neighboring governments of 19
Egypt and Jordan to establish bilateral peaceful relations and has 20
achieved the same relationship more recently with Bahrain, Morocco, 21
the United Arab Emirates, and Sudan, and it continues to seek peace 22
throughout the Middle East; and 23

WHEREAS, Israel and Ohio have long maintained a strong 24
relationship based on shared friendship and respect, and this 25
remarkable partnership has produced many significant opportunities for 26

collaboration and cooperation. Indeed, we are pleased to join in the 27
celebration of Israel's 75th Independence Day, which on the Jewish 28
calendar coincides with April 25, 2023, and look forward to the 29
promise of the years ahead; therefore be it 30

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 31
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 32
commend the State of Israel on the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of its 33
independence and extend best wishes to its citizens on the celebration 34
of this milestone; and be it further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 36
duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news media of 37
Ohio. 38