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MICHELE REAGAN
SECRETARY OF STATE

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1019

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE NATION OF ISRAEL FOR ITS CORDIAL AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES AND WITH THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Whereas, Israel has been granted her land under and through the oldest
2 recorded deed, as recorded in the Old Testament, scripture that is held
3 sacred and revered by Jews and Christians alike, the acts and words of God;
4 and

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

7 Whereas, the legal basis for the establishment of the modern State of
8 Israel was a binding act of international law established in the San Remo
9 Resolution, which was unanimously adopted by the League of Nations in 1922
10 and subsequently affirmed by both houses of the United States Congress; and

11 Whereas, this resolution affirmed the establishment of a national home
12 for the Jewish people in the historical region of the Land of Israel,
13 including the areas of Judea, Samaria and Jerusalem; and

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

20 Whereas, Israel declared its independence and self-governance on May
21 14, 1948, with the goal of reestablishing its God-given and legally
22 recognized land as a homeland for the Jewish people; and

23 Whereas, the United States, as the first country to recognize Israel as
24 an independent nation and as Israel's principal ally, has enjoyed a close and
25 mutually beneficial relationship with Israel and her people; and

26 Whereas, Israel is the greatest friend and ally of the United States in
27 the Middle East, and the values of our two nations are so intertwined that it
28 is impossible to separate one from the other; and

29 Whereas, there are those in the Middle East who have continually sought
30 to destroy Israel from the time of its inception as a state, and those same
31 enemies of Israel also hate and seek to destroy the United States; and

32 Whereas, the State of Arizona and Israel have enjoyed cordial and
33 mutually beneficial relations since 1948, a friendship that continues to
34 strengthen with each passing year; and

35 Whereas, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu spoke before a joint
36 session of Congress on March 3, 2015 and urged the United States to stand
37 with Israel to "stop Iran's march of conquest, subjugation and terror" and
38 warned the United States that an emerging nuclear agreement with Iran "paves
39 Iran's path to the bomb."

1 Therefore

2 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of
3 Representatives concurring:

4 1. That the Members of the Legislature commend Israel for its cordial
5 and mutually beneficial relationship with the United States and with the
6 State of Arizona and support Israel as a Jewish state in its legal,
7 historical, moral and God-given right of self-governance and self-defense on
8 the entirety of its own lands, recognizing that Israel is not an occupier of
9 the lands of others and that peace can be afforded in the region only through
10 a whole and united Israel.

11 2. That the Secretary of State transmit copies of this Resolution to
12 the President of the United States, each member of Congress from the State of
13 Arizona and the Governor of the State of Arizona.

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE MARCH 23, 2015.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE SENATE MARCH 17, 2015.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MARCH 27, 2015.

READ IN FULL AND
~~UNANIMOUSLY~~ ADOPTED

Passed the House March 23, 20 15

David M. Gifford
Speaker of the House

Jim Drake
Chief Clerk of the House

37 Ayes 19 Nays

4 Not Voting

READ IN FULL AND
UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

Passed the Senate March 17, 20 15

LS Biggs
President of the Senate

Charmine Bellington
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State
this 27th day of March, 20 15,

at 8:52 o'clock A. M.

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Michael Reagan
Secretary of State