

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 HOUSE  
4 RESOLUTION 1007

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution commending the Nation of Israel for its  
9 cordial and mutually beneficial relationship with the  
10 United States and with the State of Oklahoma;  
congratulating Israel on the sixty-fifth anniversary  
of its founding; and directing distribution.

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14 WHEREAS, Israel has been granted her lands under and through the  
15 oldest recorded deed, as recorded in the Old Testament, a tome of  
16 scripture held sacred and revered by Jews and Christians alike as  
17 presenting the acts and words of God; and

18 WHEREAS, the claim and presence of the Jewish people in Israel  
19 has remained constant throughout the past 4,000 years of history;  
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21 WHEREAS, the legal basis for the establishment of the modern  
22 State of Israel was a binding resolution under international law,  
23 which was unanimously adopted by the League of Nations in 1922 and  
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1 subsequently affirmed by both houses of the United States Congress;  
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3 WHEREAS, this resolution affirmed the establishment of a  
4 national home for the Jewish people in the historical region of the  
5 Land of Israel, including the areas of Judea, Samaria, and  
6 Jerusalem; and

7 WHEREAS, Article 80 of the United Nations charter recognized the  
8 continued validity of the rights granted to states or peoples which  
9 already existed under international instruments, and therefore the  
10 1922 League of Nations resolution remains valid, and the 650,000  
11 Jews currently residing in the areas of Judea, Samaria, and eastern  
12 Jerusalem reside there legitimately; and

13 WHEREAS, Israel declared its independence and self-governance on  
14 May 14, 1948, with the goal of reestablishing its God-given and  
15 legally recognized lands as a homeland for the Jewish people; and

16 WHEREAS, the United States, having been the first country to  
17 recognize Israel as an independent nation and as Israel's principal  
18 ally, has enjoyed a close and mutually beneficial relationship with  
19 Israel and her people; and

20 WHEREAS, Israel is the greatest friend and ally of the United  
21 States in the Middle East and the values of our two nations are so  
22 intertwined that it is impossible to separate one from the other;  
23 and

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1       WHEREAS, there are those in the Middle East who have continually  
2 sought to destroy Israel, from the time of its inception as a state,  
3 and those same enemies of Israel also hate, and seek to destroy, the  
4 United States; and

5       WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma and Israel have enjoyed cordial  
6 and mutually beneficial relations since 1948, a friendship that  
7 continues to strengthen with each passing year.

8       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
9 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

10       THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives commends Israel for  
11 its cordial and mutually beneficial relationship with the United  
12 States and with the State of Oklahoma and supports Israel in its  
13 legal, historical, moral, and God-given right of self-governance and  
14 self-defense upon the entirety of its own lands, recognizing that  
15 Israel is neither an attacking force nor an occupier of the lands of  
16 others, and that peace can be afforded the region only through a  
17 whole and united Israel.

18       THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives does hereby  
19 congratulate the Nation of Israel on the occasion of the sixty-fifth  
20 anniversary of the founding of the nation.

21       THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Israeli Air  
22 Force Major Avi Fadida, Meir Shlomo, Ambassador and Consul General  
23 of Israel to the Southwest, the Chabbad Jewish Center, the Emanuel  
24 Synagogue, the Jewish Federation - Greater Oklahoma, Temple B'nai

1 Israel, Hillel Jewish Student Center, Kehilat Rosh Pinah and the  
2 Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C.

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