

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

SENATE CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION 16

By: Daniels of the Senate  
and  
Lepak of the House

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A Concurrent Resolution condemning the atrocities of the terrorist organization Hamas and reaffirming Oklahoman and American support for the State of Israel in their fight to eradicate Hamas.

WHEREAS, Hamas was founded with the stated goal of destroying the State of Israel and has been designated by the United States as a Foreign Terrorist Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Hamas terrorist organization launched a brutal, highly organized, and unprecedented attack upon Israel and its citizens in the early morning hours of October 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, in its attack, Hamas has killed hundreds of innocent civilians and taken hundreds of Israeli children, women, elderly, and infirm civilians hostage; and

WHEREAS, in its attack, Hamas has fired thousands of rockets against Israeli population centers in an attempt to kill untold numbers of innocent civilians; and

1 WHEREAS, the level of logistical sophistication demonstrated in  
2 this Hamas terrorism operation indicates its receipt of support and  
3 funding from foreign state sponsors of terror, namely Iran; and

4 WHEREAS, the timing of this Hamas terrorism operation to  
5 coincide with the observance of the Jewish Sabbath and celebration  
6 of significant Jewish holidays demonstrates the intent to maximize  
7 civilian casualties; and

8 WHEREAS, Hamas continues to brazenly locate elements of its  
9 terrorist infrastructure in civilian population centers using  
10 civilians as human shields.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION  
12 OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
13 CONCURRING THEREIN:

14 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature reaffirms our support and  
15 unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the  
16 State of Israel.

17 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature expresses our support for  
18 Israel's right to pursue without interference or condemnation the  
19 elimination of Hamas and any other affiliated groups until Hamas and  
20 all such groups are permanently neutralized, and public safety is  
21 assured.

22 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature conveys our most heartfelt  
23 condolences to all Israeli victims as well as their families and  
24 communities.

1        THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature calls upon Oklahoma's law  
2 enforcement agencies to remain vigilant in protecting Israeli  
3 Americans, Jewish Americans, and all supporters of Israel from acts  
4 of crime and unlawful discrimination that tend to manifest at such  
5 times.

6        THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature encourages all other  
7 American state legislators to likewise condemn Hamas as well as any  
8 official body that refuses to recognize Israel's right to act  
9 decisively in self-defense to protect its citizens.

10       THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature calls upon the United States  
11 to provide all assistance as may be required to support Israel in  
12 its defense against Hamas and all other terrorist organizations.

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