

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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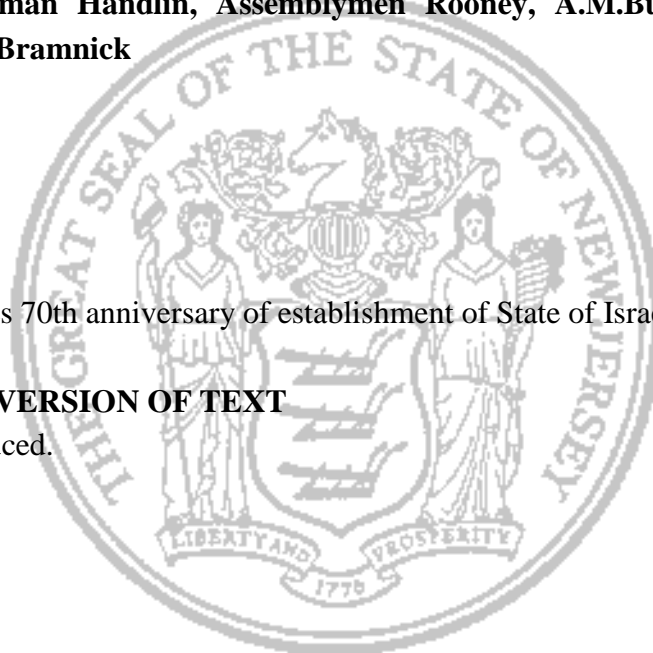
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SYNOPSIS

Recognizes 70th anniversary of establishment of State of Israel.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **A JOINT RESOLUTION** recognizing the 70th anniversary of the
2 establishment of the State of Israel.
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4 **WHEREAS**, On November 29, 1947, the United Nations General
5 Assembly voted to partition the British Mandate of Palestine and,
6 through that vote, to create the State of Israel; and
7 **WHEREAS**, April 20, 2018, the 5th day of Iyar of the Hebrew calendar,
8 marks the 70th anniversary of Israel’s independence; and
9 **WHEREAS**, The modern State of Israel was born out of the ashes of the
10 Holocaust and World War II where the death of six million Jews
11 did not eliminate the will of a people to seek dignity in life and a
12 place of respect and recognition among the people of the civilized
13 world; and
14 **WHEREAS**, Israel, from its inception, has faced hostility and has
15 endured terrorist attacks which have indiscriminately killed many
16 innocent men, women, and children; and
17 **WHEREAS**, Despite hostility and conflicts, the people of Israel have
18 built a strong nation and forged a dynamic society, creating a
19 unique and vital economic, political, cultural, and intellectual life
20 for its citizens; and
21 **WHEREAS**, In its 70 years of statehood, Israel has established a
22 modern parliamentary democracy, becoming one of the most
23 successful democracies in the Middle East, and provided to all its
24 citizens and residents opportunity through the highest standards of
25 living and human equality in a region otherwise beset with poverty
26 and human rights abuses; and
27 **WHEREAS**, Israel continues to strive for peace and security for the
28 nation, its neighbors, and throughout the world shares innovations
29 and achievements in agriculture, education, research and
30 development, humanitarian aid, technology, solar, wind, and water
31 power advancements, music and the arts in order to fulfill the
32 prophecy of becoming a light unto the nations; and
33 **WHEREAS**, Israel, a nation the size of New Jersey, shares a very
34 special partnership with New Jersey state, highlighted by, among
35 other things of mutual benefits, a trading partnership of more than
36 \$1.6 billion relationships and new Jersey’s enactment of both Iran
37 sanctions and anti-Israel boycott legislation; and
38 **WHEREAS**, The New Jersey–Israel relationship has strengthened in the
39 area of economic, technological, and people-to-people exchanges to
40 the benefit of each entity; and
41 **WHEREAS**, Israel has been a steadfast friend and faithful ally of the
42 United States over the past seven decades; and
43 **WHEREAS**, Given the close political, economic, and cultural ties
44 between the State of Israel and the United States of America as well
45 as between the State of Israel and the State of New Jersey, the
46 Governor and the Legislature find it fitting and proper to recognize
47 the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel;
48 now, therefore,

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4. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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April 20, 2018 marks the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel and the Governor and the Legislature recognize the historic significance of the 70th anniversary. The Governor and the Legislature of the State of New Jersey commend the people of Israel for their remarkable achievements in building a new state and a pluralistic democratic society in the Middle East and reaffirm the bonds of friendship and cooperation which have existed between New Jersey and Israel for seven decades. The State of New Jersey recommits to working with Israel in its quest for peace with its neighbors and the countries in the region.