

2023 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 193

BY SENATOR ROBERT MILLS

COMMENDATIONS. To commend the State of Israel on the 75th anniversary of the rebirth of the modern State of Israel.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate the State of Israel upon the occasion of the seventy-fifth
3 anniversary of the rebirth of the modern State of Israel, to recognize the
4 contributions of Israel to humankind, and to express support for the people of Israel
5 and the Jewish state.

6 WHEREAS, Israel was originally and historically granted her lands under and
7 through the oldest recorded deed, as provided in the Old Testament, a tome of scripture held
8 sacred and revered by Jews and Christians alike as presenting the acts and words of God; and

9 WHEREAS, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob promised in Genesis 12:3 to bless
10 those that bless Israel, through the promise He made to Abraham: "And I will bless them that
11 bless thee, and curse them that curseth thee: and in thee shall all the families of the earth be
12 blessed"; and

13 WHEREAS, the internationally recognized legal basis for the establishment of the
14 modern State of Israel was a binding resolution under international law, which was
15 unanimously adopted by the League of Nations in 1922 and subsequently affirmed by both
16 houses of the United States Congress; and

17 WHEREAS, on May 14, 1948, the provisional government of Israel proclaimed the
18 rebirth of the State of Israel and on that same date the United States of America, via

1 President Harry S. Truman, recognized the provisional Jewish government as the *de facto*
2 authority of the Jewish State of Israel, thereby fulfilling the Biblical prophecy in Isaiah 66:8
3 that the nation would be (re)born in a single day; and

4 WHEREAS, Israel established a form of government based on the precepts of liberty,
5 justice, and peace taught by the Hebrew prophets upholding the full social and political
6 equality of all her citizens without distinction of race, creed, or sex, while guaranteeing full
7 freedom of conscience, worship, education, and culture; and

8 WHEREAS, over the centuries the city of Jerusalem has come to symbolize the love
9 of the Jewish people for their ancient homeland and on June 7, 1967, the third day of the Six
10 Day War, soldiers of Israel's Defense Forces entered the old city of Jerusalem and reunited
11 the city, thereby making Jerusalem once again an integral part of the Jewish state; and

12 WHEREAS, Louisiana has a special connection to Israel and many towns and cities
13 across Louisiana bear the names of Biblical cities, such as Bethel, Hebron, and Shiloh; and

14 WHEREAS, the modern State of Israel has contributed to the rest of the world
15 through significant and extraordinary developments in science, medicine, agriculture, and
16 technology; and

17 WHEREAS, this year marks the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the
18 modern State of Israel in the ancestral homeland of the Jewish people.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
20 does hereby commend and congratulate the State of Israel upon the seventy-fifth anniversary
21 of the rebirth of the modern State of Israel, recognizes the contributions of Israel to
22 humankind, and expresses support for the people of Israel and the Jewish state.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted
24 to the Consul General of the State of Israel to the Southwest in Houston, Texas, to the
25 Embassy of Israel to the United States in Washington, D.C. for transmission to the proper
26 authorities in the State of Israel, to the Louisiana Chapter of American Israel Public Affairs
27 Committee, and the Louisiana Chapter of Christians United for Israel.

