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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 132

BY REPRESENTATIVE HODGES

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS: Expresses support for the people of Israel and for their right to live in freedom and to defend themselves and extends best wishes to the people of Israel for peace, security, and prosperity

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express support for the people of Israel and for their right to live in freedom and to
defend themselves, to recognize the longstanding friendship between the people of
Israel and the people of Louisiana, and to extend best wishes to the people of Israel
for peace, security, and prosperity.
WHEREAS, the land of Israel was the birthplace of the Jewish people, where their
spiritual, religious, and national identity was formed, where they achieved independence,
and where they have created a culture of national and universal significance; and
WHEREAS, the people of the United States, including the citizens of Louisiana, have
long enjoyed a close and mutually beneficial relationship with Israel and her people; and
WHEREAS, Israel was established on May 14, 1948, and the Declaration of the
Establishment of the State of Israel declared that Israel will be open for Jewish immigration
and for the Ingathering of the Exiles; foster the development of the country for the benefit
of all its inhabitants; be based on freedom, justice, and peace as envisaged by the prophets
of Israel; ensure complete equality of social and political rights to all its inhabitants
irrespective of religion, race, or sex; guarantee freedom of religion, conscience, language,
education, and culture; safeguard the Holy Places of all religions; and be faithful to the
principles of the Charter of the United Nations; and
WHEREAS, the people of Israel have been persecuted throughout history, and there
are still those who express a desire for the destruction of Israel; and

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WHEREAS, Israel faces continued threats to its safety and security today from Iran
and others in the Middle East region.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express support for the people of Israel and for their right to live in freedom and to defend themselves, does hereby recognize the longstanding friendship between the people of Israel and the people of Louisiana, and does hereby extend to the people of Israel best wishes for peace, security, and prosperity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Ambassador of Israel to the United States.

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