
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 323 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY SCHLOSSBERG, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, SOLOMON, BAKER,
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TALLMAN, TOOHL, VAZQUEZ, WATSON, SCHWEYER, DIGIROLAMO AND
DAVIDSON, MAY 8, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 8, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 69th anniversary of the birth of the State of
2 Israel.

3 WHEREAS, The land of Israel was the birthplace of the Jewish
4 people and, despite Jewish exile, the land has remained the
5 place where their religious, spiritual and national identity
6 were formed; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1897, the First Zionist Congress proclaimed the
8 right of the Jewish people to national revival in their own
9 country, a right acknowledged in 1917 by the Balfour Declaration
10 and later reaffirmed by the League of Nations; and

11 WHEREAS, The atrocities of the Nazi Holocaust and the death
12 of millions of Jews in Europe reestablished and refocused the
13 need for an independent Jewish state; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1947, the General Assembly of the United Nations
15 adopted a resolution calling for the establishment of an

1 independent Jewish state in Palestine and directed inhabitants
2 of the country to take actions facilitating this resolution; and
3 WHEREAS, The members of the National Council representing the
4 Jewish people in Palestine and the Zionist movement of the world
5 met and issued a Declaration of Israel's Independence on May 14,
6 1948; and

7 WHEREAS, In a relatively brief time and despite difficult
8 challenges in the issues of peace and security, Israel has
9 emerged from a fledgling state to one with a successful
10 democracy, a strong economy and a powerful military; therefore
11 be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commemorate the
13 69th anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel.