
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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B. MILLER, SIMMONS, SAYLOR AND KORTZ, JANUARY 25, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 25, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Condemning the passage of the United Nations Security Council
2 Resolution 2334.

3 WHEREAS, On December 23, 2016, the United Nations Security
4 Council passed resolution 2334 (2016) that condemns Israeli
5 settlement construction; and

6 WHEREAS, Resolution 2334 was approved unanimously with 14
7 votes; and

8 WHEREAS, As a permanent member of the United Nations Security
9 Council, the United States could have blocked resolution 2334
10 with a veto, but instead abstained from voting and allowed the
11 resolution to pass; and

12 WHEREAS, Former Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon stated in his
13 final address to the United Nations Security Council that
14 "decades of political maneuvering have created a
15 disproportionate number of resolutions, reports and committees
16 against Israel"; and

1 WHEREAS, The United States has historically blocked
2 resolutions in the United Nations Security Council that try to
3 dictate terms between the State of Israel and Palestine; and

4 WHEREAS, The United Nations is not the venue through which
5 peace can be achieved between the State of Israel and Palestine;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is a friend to the
8 State of Israel and seeks to maintain this friendship; and

9 WHEREAS, The State of Israel is the greatest ally to the
10 United States in the Middle East; and

11 WHEREAS, The United States must recommit itself as an ally to
12 Israel; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
14 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urge the current presidential
15 administration and any future presidential administrations to
16 uphold the practice of vetoing all of the United Nations
17 Security Council resolutions that interfere in the peace process
18 between the State of Israel and Palestine; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives condemn the
20 passage of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334;
21 and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
23 the President of the United States, the United Nations Security
24 Council and the Israeli Embassy in Washington, DC, for
25 transmission to the proper authorities in the State of Israel.