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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 67th 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 United Nations General Assembly adopted  
15 a resolution calling for the establishment of an independent  
16 Jewish state in Palestine and directed inhabitants of the  
17 country to take actions facilitating this resolution; and

1       WHEREAS, The members of the National Council representing the  
2 Jewish people in Palestine and the Zionist movement of the world  
3 met and issued a Declaration of Israel's Independence on May 14,  
4 1948; and

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

10       RESOLVED, That the Senate commemorate the 67th anniversary of  
11 the birth of the State of Israel.