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A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 66th 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

1 country to take actions facilitating this resolution; and

2 WHEREAS, The members of the National Council representing the
3 Jewish people in Palestine and the Zionist movement of the world
4 met and issued a Declaration of Israel's Independence on May 14,
5 1948; and

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

11 RESOLVED, That the Senate commemorate the 66th anniversary of
12 the birth of the State of Israel.