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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

OPPOSING UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2334

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Ackerman, Jacquard, Craven, McNamara, and Chippendale

<u>Date Introduced:</u> January 13, 2017

Referred To: House Judiciary

1	WHEREAS, The United States has long supported, and since 1993 has facilitated, direct
2	bilateral negotiations and a settlement that would lead to a sustainable two-state solution with the
3	democratic, Jewish state of Israel and a demilitarized, democratic Palestinian state living side-by-
4	side in peace and security, and ending all outstanding claims; and
5	WHEREAS, Passage of United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334 effectively
6	lends legitimacy to efforts by the Palestinian Authority to impose its own solution through
7	international organizations and through unjustified boycotts or divestment campaigns against
8	Israel; and
9	WHEREAS, United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334 seeks to both impose or
10	unduly influence solutions to final status issues, is an obstacle to Israeli-Palestinian peace, and is
11	biased against Israel; and
12	WHEREAS, It is the long-standing policy of the United States that a peaceful resolution
13	to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict will only come through direct, bilateral negotiations between the
14	two parties; and
15	WHEREAS, It is also the long-standing position of the United States to oppose and, if
16	necessary, veto one-sided or anti-Israel resolutions at the United Nations Security Council; now,
17	therefore be it
18	RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives hereby strongly reaffirms the long
19	standing role of the United States government in facilitating bilateral negotiations between Israel
20	and representatives from the Palestinian territory; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this House hereby staunchly supports House Resolution 11 "Objecting to United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334 as an obstacle to Israeli-Palestinian peace, and for other purposes" and firmly opposes any future actions by the United Nations Security Council that undermine bilateral negotiations in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; and be it further RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the United Nations Security Council and members of the Rhode Island Congressional delegation.

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