## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 419**

## By Lynn

A RESOLUTION to honor Jerusalem Day 2017, the fiftieth anniversary of the unification of Jerusalem.

WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Tennessee have a history of standing with the State of Israel and her people; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee and Israel have a long history of friendship and are great allies in support of each other's democratic, economic, social, humanitarian, and religious interests; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is home to many commercial and nonprofit organizations, including educational, humanitarian, and faith-based organizations, that seek to benefit Israel and her citizens; and

WHEREAS, the elected representatives of Tennessee recognize the importance of expressing their unabridged support for the State of Israel and the Jewish people's right to their ancestral homeland; and

WHEREAS, Jerusalem has remained the seat of government and the capital city of the State of Israel; and

WHEREAS, Jerusalem is celebrating fifty years of liberation and unification within the State of Israel; and

WHEREAS, Jerusalem is esteemed and valued by the citizens of Tennessee and the international community for its more than five millennia of historic and religious significance as the "City of Peace"; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that the members of this General Assembly recognize the fiftieth annual Jerusalem Day from May 23, 2017, at sunset to May 24, 2017, at sunset.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of this General Assembly support Israel's claim to her ancestral homeland, including their unified national capital, Jerusalem, and the historic lands of Judea and Samaria.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be prepared and transmitted to the President of the United States, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, and the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C., for transmission to the proper authorities in the State of Israel.