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S. RES. 670

Strongly condemning the rise of antisemitism on campuses of institutions
of higher education across the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BRITT, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAINES, Ms. ERNST, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. TILLIS, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. McCONNELL, and Mrs. FISCHER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

RESOLUTION

Strongly condemning the rise of antisemitism on campuses
of institutions of higher education across the United States.

Whereas, on October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists perpetrated
the deadliest attack against Jewish people since the Holo-
caust;

Whereas, since the terrorist attack on Israel by Hamas on
October 7, Hillel International has tracked a 700 percent
increase in antisemitic incidents on campuses of institu-
tions of higher education over the same period last year;

Whereas Jewish students, Israeli students, and students perceived to be Jewish have been targeted with threats, violence, and constant harassment;

Whereas title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.) requires that institutions of higher education receiving Federal financial assistance ensure that students are not subject to discrimination based on race, color, or national origin;

Whereas Executive Order 13899 (84 Fed. Reg. 68779; relating to enforcing title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 against prohibited forms of discrimination rooted in anti-semitism), the September 28, 2023, White House statement titled “Fact Sheet: Biden-Harris Administration Takes Landmark Step to Counter Antisemitism”, and Dear Colleague letters issued by the Department of Education on May 25, 2023, and November 7, 2023, make clear the protections guaranteed by title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.) include protections against antisemitism;

Whereas, according to the Anti-Defamation League, anti-Zionist student groups in more than 50 campuses of institutions of higher education across the United States have established “encampments”;

Whereas the protests taking place at these encampments have been a hotbed of blatantly antisemitic rhetoric and action;

Whereas many protestors participating in these encampments have expressed explicit support for Hamas terrorism and urged Hamas to commit further violence against Israel;

Whereas some protestors in these encampments have directly confronted Jewish students on or near campus and used antisemitic rhetoric; and

Whereas many administrators of institutions of higher education have allowed these encampments to continue on their campuses and enabled these activities: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) strongly condemns—

3 (A) the rise of antisemitism on campuses
4 of institutions of higher education across the
5 United States; and

6 (B) administrators of institutions of higher
7 education who have enabled ongoing anti-
8 semitism on their campuses; and

9 (2) urges the Department of Education to take
10 necessary actions to ensure that institutions of high-
11 er education are complying with title VI of the Civil
12 Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.) and
13 that students, including Jewish students, are not ex-
14 periencing discrimination in violation of such title
15 VI.

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