

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 124

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Recognizes 75th anniversary of establishment of State of Israel.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 A **SENATE RESOLUTION** recognizing the 75th anniversary of the
2 establishment of the State of Israel.

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4 **WHEREAS**, The United Nations General Assembly paved the way to
5 the creation of the State of Israel; and

6 **WHEREAS**, The 75th anniversary of Israel's independence will be
7 observed on April 25, 2023, the 5th day of Iyar on the Hebrew
8 calendar; and

9 **WHEREAS**, The search for freedom from oppression and
10 discrimination and a new life borne out of the tragic ashes of the
11 Holocaust led a people to advocate for a place to call home, the
12 modern State of Israel; and

13 **WHEREAS**, While Israel has endured from its inception threats to its
14 autonomy and security, the people of Israel have maintained the
15 courage to build a vibrant, dynamic, and forward-looking nation
16 that values cultural and ethnic diversity; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Israel continues to thrive in the face of adversity by
18 sharing with the world innovations and achievements in agriculture,
19 education, and technology, and advancements in solar, wind, and
20 water power, music, and the arts, and by providing humanitarian aid
21 internationally to people in need; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Israel shares a very special partnership with the State of
23 New Jersey highlighted by the creation of the New Jersey-Israel
24 Commission which has strengthened the area of economic,
25 technological, and people-to-people exchanges to the benefit of
26 each entity through agreements such as Choose New Jersey and the
27 Jerusalem Development Authority Bilateral Business Cooperation;
28 and

29 **WHEREAS**, The New Jersey-Israel partnership includes current
30 educational institutional collaborations between Rutgers and Tel
31 Aviv Universities, New Jersey Institute of Technology and Be'er
32 Sheva's Ben Gurion University, Rowan University and the
33 Jerusalem College of Technology, as well as sister city
34 relationships such as the ones between Jersey City and Beit
35 Shemesh, East Brunswick and Yavneh; and

36 **WHEREAS**, Israel has been a steadfast friend and faithful ally of the
37 United States over the past seven and a half decades; and

38 **WHEREAS**, Given the close ideological, economic, and cultural ties
39 between the State of Israel and the United States of America, as
40 well as between the State of Israel and the State of New Jersey, this
41 House finds it fitting and proper to recognize the 75th anniversary
42 of the establishment of the State of Israel; now, therefore,

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44 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:

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46 1. This House recognizes the historic significance of the 75th
47 anniversary of the establishment of the independent modern State of
48 Israel and commends the people of Israel for their remarkable

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1 achievements in building a new state and a pluralistic democratic
2 society in the Middle East. This House reaffirms the bonds of
3 friendship and cooperation which have existed between New Jersey
4 and Israel for 75 years and recommits to strengthening the existing
5 partnership and supporting Israel in its quest for peace with its
6 neighbors and the countries in the region.

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8 2. This House extends congratulations to the State of Israel and
9 its citizens on the 75th anniversary of nationhood.

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11 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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16 April 25, 2023 marks the 75th anniversary of the establishment
17 of the State of Israel. This House commends the people of Israel
18 for their remarkable achievements in building a new state and a
19 pluralistic democratic society in the Middle East and reaffirms the
20 bonds of friendship and cooperation which have existed between
21 New Jersey and Israel for seven decades. This House recommits to
22 working with Israel in its quest for peace with its neighbors and the
23 countries in the region.