By Senator Berman

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Senate Resolution

A resolution expressing the Florida Senate's unwavering support for the State of Israel.

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WHEREAS, the Florida Senate recognizes the right of the State of Israel to exist as a sovereign and independent nation, with the full rights and privileges afforded to all nations under international law, and

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WHEREAS, the State of Florida has a longstanding alliance with the State of Israel, which is founded on shared democratic principles and common interests, and

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WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, Hamas launched an attack on the State of Israel, which included firing over 2,500 rockets into the nation and resulted in hundreds of Israelis being murdered, with the death toll expected to rise, and

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WHEREAS, the Florida Senate stands firmly in solidarity with the State of Israel and its efforts to safeguard its citizens, protect its borders, and ensure the safety and security of its people, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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That the Florida Senate reaffirms the unwavering commitment to the partnership between the State of Florida and the State of Israel.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Florida Senate stands in solidarity with the State of Israel and condemns this unprovoked attack by Hamas against Israel and its citizens and supports Israel's right to defend itself and protect its citizens from

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indiscriminate violence and terrorism.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Florida Senate unequivocally supports the right of the State of Israel to exist as a sovereign and independent nation with the full recognition of its borders and territory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the State of Florida, each member of the Florida congressional delegation, and the Ambassador of the State of Israel to the United States as a testament to the enduring partnership between our states and to the Florida Senate's unwavering support for the State of Israel.