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House Resolution

A resolution designating February 29, 2024, as "Israel Day at the Capitol."

WHEREAS, for seven decades, the United States and Israel have maintained a special relationship based on shared democratic values, common strategic interests, and moral bonds of friendship and mutual respect, and

WHEREAS, Florida has long had a large and vibrant Israeli and Jewish community, and

WHEREAS, student groups from universities across the state, including NolePac at Florida State University, have worked diligently to combat antisemitism on campus and strengthen the United States-Israel alliance, and

WHEREAS, in May 2019 more than 20 strategic partnerships and memoranda of understanding were established between entities in Florida and Israel, including agreements between leading universities and an extension of the Florida-Israel Innovation Partnership in which Space Florida entered into a pioneering bilateral collaboration with the Israel Innovation Authority to support joint aerospace research and development projects, and

WHEREAS, Florida benefits economically from the liaison with Israel, with more than \$400 million in exports in 2022, and WHEREAS, the State of Florida has had a longstanding

alliance with the State of Israel, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

That February 29, 2024, is designated as "Israel Day at the Capitol."

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