

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

4   ENGROSSED SENATE  
5   CONCURRENT  
6   RESOLUTION NO. 16

By: Daniels, Stephens, Bullard,  
Burns, Bergstrom, Hamilton,  
Weaver, Rogers, Dugger,  
Pemberton, Rader, Seifried,  
Pederson, Rosino, Murdock,  
Paxton, Green, Prieto,  
McCortney, Thompson  
(Kristen), Haste, Kidd,  
Pugh, and Stewart of the  
Senate

and

Lepak, Crosswhite Hader,  
West (Kevin), and McBride  
of the House

15           A Concurrent Resolution condemning the atrocities of  
16           the terrorist organization Hamas and reaffirming  
17           Oklahoman and American support for the State of  
18           Israel in their fight to eradicate Hamas.

19           WHEREAS, Hamas was founded with the stated goal of destroying  
20           the State of Israel and has been designated by the United States as  
21           a Foreign Terrorist Organization; and

22           WHEREAS, the Hamas terrorist organization launched a brutal,  
23           highly organized, and unprecedented attack upon Israel and its  
24           citizens in the early morning hours of October 7, 2023; and

1       WHEREAS, in its attack, Hamas has killed hundreds of innocent  
2 civilians and taken hundreds of Israeli children, women, elderly,  
3 and infirm civilians hostage; and

4       WHEREAS, in its attack, Hamas has fired thousands of rockets  
5 against Israeli population centers in an attempt to kill untold  
6 numbers of innocent civilians; and

7       WHEREAS, the level of logistical sophistication demonstrated in  
8 this Hamas terrorism operation indicates its receipt of support and  
9 funding from foreign state sponsors of terror, namely Iran; and

10       WHEREAS, the timing of this Hamas terrorism operation to  
11 coincide with the observance of the Jewish Sabbath and celebration  
12 of significant Jewish holidays demonstrates the intent to maximize  
13 civilian casualties; and

14       WHEREAS, Hamas continues to brazenly locate elements of its  
15 terrorist infrastructure in civilian population centers using  
16 civilians as human shields.

17       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION  
18 OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
19 CONCURRING THEREIN:

20       THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature reaffirms our support and  
21 unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the  
22 State of Israel.

23       THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature expresses our support for  
24 Israel's right to pursue without interference or condemnation the

1 elimination of Hamas and any other affiliated groups until Hamas and  
2 all such groups are permanently neutralized, and public safety is  
3 assured.

4 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature conveys our most heartfelt  
5 condolences to all Israeli victims as well as their families and  
6 communities.

7 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature calls upon Oklahoma's law  
8 enforcement agencies to remain vigilant in protecting Israeli  
9 Americans, Jewish Americans, and all supporters of Israel from acts  
10 of crime and unlawful discrimination that tend to manifest at such  
11 times.

12 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature encourages all other  
13 American state legislators to likewise condemn Hamas as well as any  
14 official body that refuses to recognize Israel's right to act  
15 decisively in self-defense to protect its citizens.

16 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature calls upon the United States  
17 to provide all assistance as may be required to support Israel in  
18 its defense against Hamas and all other terrorist organizations.

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