HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0005

Support of Israel.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Sommers and Neiman and Senator(s) Driskill and Hicks

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

- 1 A JOINT RESOLUTION expressing support for the nation of
- 2 Israel; condemning the terrorist attacks in Israel; and
- 3 recognizing the sovereignty of Israel and the right of Israel
- 4 to assure its own safety.

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- 6 WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, Hamas, an organization
- 7 designated by the United States as a foreign terrorist
- 8 organization, launched an unprecedented and unprovoked attack
- 9 on Israel; and

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- 11 WHEREAS, Hamas launched rockets, killed and injured Israeli
- 12 citizens and abducted hostages from Israel, including
- 13 children and the elderly; and

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1 WHEREAS, American citizens in Israel were among those killed,

2 injured or abducted by Hamas since commencing its attacks;

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5 WHEREAS, the United States has a strong history of standing

6 in support of Israel, the people of Israel and Israel's

7 democratic and cultural values; and

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9 WHEREAS, the United States has maintained close ties with

10 Israel since the establishment of the nation of Israel in

11 1948; and

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13 WHEREAS, Israel and its people have an inalienable right to

14 defend themselves against acts of terrorism; and

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16 WHEREAS, the attacks of Israel by Hamas have threatened and

17 continue to threaten Israel's sovereignty and Israel's right

18 to provide for its safety.

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20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE

21 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING:

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23 Section 1.

1 (a) That the legislature: 2 3 4 (i) Recognizes the sovereignty of Israel, 5 including Israel's right to self-defense; 6 7 (ii) Mourns the innocent victims of Israel who have been killed, injured or abducted as a result of the 8 9 terrorist attacks by Hamas; 10 11 (iii) Calls on Hamas to immediately cease its attacks on Israel and to safely release all living hostages 12 13 and return the bodies of deceased hostages; 14 15 (iv) Calls on the United States to lead an international effort to deprive Hamas of resources and 16 17 funding that the terrorist group relies upon to threaten and 18 attack Israel; 19 20 (v) Calls on the United States to reaffirm our 21 country's commitment to Israel's safety and security; and

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1 (vi) Stands with Israel as it defends itself

2 against Hamas and works to diminish the threat posed by Hamas.

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4 Section 2. That the Secretary of State of Wyoming

5 transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the

6 United States, the President of the United States Senate, the

7 Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore of the United States House of

8 Representatives, each member of the Wyoming congressional

9 delegation and the United States Ambassador or Charge

10 d'Affaires for Israel.

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