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October 17, 2023

Support for the State of Israel

On October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists launched a coordinated, unprovoked attack on Israel from the Gaza Strip, firing thousands of rockets toward Israel’s major population centers. Hamas breached Israel’s borders, infiltrated Israeli communities, kidnapped over 100 civilians, including women and children as well as Israeli soldiers, killed over 1,000 Israelis and wounded over a thousand more. Fourteen U.S. citizens have been declared dead at the hands of Hamas.

This is the most significant attack on the State of Israel since the Yom Kippur War, which was launched 50 years ago, nearly to the day. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu declared that Israel was at war to defend itself. More than 300,000 reserve soldiers were called to defend their country.

Addressing the nation, President Joe Biden has condemned Hamas, calling their acts “terrorism” and “pure unadulterated evil.” The President unequivocally vowed to stand with Israel, and the County of Los Angeles must do so as well.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors approve and execute the attached Resolution in support of the State of Israel and unequivocally condemns the terrorist acts of Hamas.

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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND CONDEMNING THE
TERRORIST ACTS OF HAMAS**

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists launched a coordinated, unprovoked attack on Israel from the Gaza Strip, firing thousands of rockets toward Israel's major population centers; and

WHEREAS, Hamas breached Israel's borders, infiltrated Israeli communities, kidnapped over 100 civilians, including women and children as well as Israeli soldiers, killed over 1,000 Israelis and wounded over a thousand more; and

WHEREAS, fourteen U.S. citizens have been declared dead at the hands of Hamas; and

WHEREAS, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu declared that Israel was at war to defend itself; and

WHEREAS, more than 300,000 reserve soldiers were called to defend their country; and

WHEREAS, addressing the nation, President Joe Biden has condemned Hamas, calling their acts "terrorism" and "pure unadulterated evil;" and

WHEREAS, the President unequivocally vowed to stand with Israel, and so must the County of Los Angeles.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles unequivocally condemns Hamas for this deplorable and unprovoked attack on the State of Israel.

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

The foregoing resolution was on the 17th day of October, 2023, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

CELIA ZAVALA,
Executive Officer
Board of Supervisors

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