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A senate RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE THE ENDURING FRIENDSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND THE STATE OF ISRAEL.

Whereas, Israel, though one of the smallest countries in the world by geography and population, is globally renowned for its leadership in innovation, technology, and entrepreneurship, ranking among the world’s highest in start-ups per capita; and

Whereas, Israel is recognized as an “Impact Nation,” leveraging its technological advancements to confront global challenges, including sustainable energy, water management, cybersecurity, agriculture, and medical innovation, thereby benefiting not only its own citizens but also communities worldwide; and

Whereas, the State of Israel, a beacon of democracy in the Middle East, is the United States’ greatest and most reliable ally in the region, sharing with our nation a steadfast commitment to freedom, peace, security, and civil rights for all citizens; and

Whereas, the special relationship between the United States and Israel is rooted in shared democratic values and mutual aspirations for progress, liberty, justice, and security; and

Whereas, the bond between South Carolina and Israel continues to grow through robust economic, academic, and cultural exchanges, exemplified by partnerships such as the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), Rambam Health Care Campus, and the Technion Israel Institute of Technology, advancing medical research and technological innovation in cardiovascular medicine; and

Whereas, Israeli companies across various sectors -- including technology, automotive, plastics, and agriculture -- have established operations in South Carolina, contributing to the state’s economic development and workforce expansion; and

Whereas, the United States is a nation shaped by immigrants, and Israeli Americans bring vital contributions in innovation, science, and entrepreneurship that enhance our state’s prosperity and global competitiveness; and

Whereas, the citizens of South Carolina share a deep and abiding friendship with the people of Israel and welcome all opportunities to deepen this relationship through cultural, academic, and business endeavors; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate believes in the value of fostering dialogue, cooperation, and collaboration between our State and the State of Israel for the mutual benefit of both peoples; and

Whereas, to further strengthen bilateral ties and advance mutual interests, the bipartisan and bicameral South Carolina-Israel Caucus for members of the South Carolina General Assembly was established on April 8, 2025. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize the enduring friendship and partnership between the State of South Carolina and the State of Israel.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Israeli Consulate to the Southeastern United States.

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