

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

Whereas, Israel has been granted her lands under and through the oldest deed, as recorded in the Torah or Old Testament, a tome of scripture held sacred and revered by Jews and Christians alike; and

Whereas, Missouri recognizes the claim and presence of the Jewish people in Israel that has remained constant throughout the past four thousand years; and

Whereas, Missouri recognizes Israel's declared independence and self governance that began on May 14, 1948, with the goal of reestablishing its legally recognized lands as a homeland for the Jewish people; and

Whereas, Missouri's son, U. S. President Harry S. Truman, was the first world leader to officially recognize Israel as a legitimate Jewish state on May 14, 1948, only eleven minutes after its creation; and

Whereas, Missouri agrees with and supports the U.S. presidential decision, on December 6, 2017, to recognize Jerusalem as the eternal capital of Israel; and

Whereas, The United States of America and the state of Missouri have enjoyed a close and mutually beneficial relationship with Israel and her people; and

Whereas, Israel is a great friend and ally of the United States of America in the Middle East:

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the members of the Missouri Senate, One Hundred-Second General Assembly, First Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, commend Israel for its cordial and mutually beneficial relationship with the United States of America and the state of Missouri since 1948 and believe that the

relationship shall continue to strengthen and be valued in this state and in this country, in all its dimensions; and

Be It Further Resolved that the General Assembly supports Israel's right to exist and recognizes Jerusalem as the eternal capital of Israel; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Israeli Consulate General to the Midwest in Miami, Florida.