

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The nation of Israel and its citizens have long  
3 been the targets of terrorist attacks and these activities  
4 have killed or injured thousands of Israeli citizens; and

5 WHEREAS, Innocent Israeli citizens, including women and  
6 children, have increasingly become the preferred targets of  
7 militant Palestinian homicide bombers; and

8 WHEREAS, These homicide bombers attack Israeli citizens  
9 with no regard to their noncombatant civilian status in an  
10 attempt to terrorize and coerce the government of Israel; and

11 WHEREAS, These homicide bombers are attempting to  
12 undermine the good intentions of the majority of Israelis and  
13 Palestinians who choose to work nonviolently toward peace;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, These homicide bombers are using increasingly  
16 sophisticated weaponry, indicating that they are receiving  
17 increased financial and political support; and

18 WHEREAS, Those who supply terrorists are as much enemies  
19 of the United States as those who would use murder to strike  
20 fear into the heart of a peaceful nation; and

21 WHEREAS, Terrorist groups frequently recruit women and  
22 children to serve as homicide bombers and promote a culture  
23 of violence by training children to grow up to become  
24 homicide bombers; and

25 WHEREAS, Militant Palestinians celebrate these terrorists  
26 as "martyrs" and praise their heinous acts as "heroic"; and

27 WHEREAS, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has failed to  
28 condemn these murderous attacks against innocent Israeli  
29 civilians; and

1           WHEREAS, Neither the United States nor Israel will be  
2           intimidated by brutal attacks against citizens by a terrorist  
3           organization; therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
5           NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
6           we express appreciation to the President of the United  
7           States, George W. Bush, for his condemnation of the vicious  
8           terrorist acts committed against the nation of Israel, and we  
9           urge him to continue to support Israel in the future in its  
10          fight against terrorism; and be it further

11          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent  
12          to President George W. Bush and to each member of the  
13          Illinois congressional delegation.