

House Resolution 50

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A RESOLUTION

1 Urging national support for the State of Israel and declaring the support of the State of
2 Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Jewish people have had over 4,000 years of continuity in their ancestral
4 homeland and have been subjected to unspeakable horrors of terror by others throughout
5 their history; and

6 WHEREAS, the Holocaust of the Nazi terror regime, when over six million Jewish people
7 were killed only because of their beliefs, demonstrated the need for a state for safe haven for
8 Jews; and

9 WHEREAS, for more than five decades since the legal establishment of the State of Israel,
10 its people have been subjected to continual terrorist activities and wars by its neighbors; and

11 WHEREAS, it is the moral right and duty for any legally established nation to protect its
12 people and its existence as Israel has done and continues to do; and

13 WHEREAS, in the wake of the terrorist attacks on the United States of America on
14 September 11, 2001, the United States, Georgia, and Israel now are committed to the same
15 fight against world wide terrorism that threatens to destroy all of our civilization; and

16 WHEREAS, even though in 1967 all of the West Bank, half of Jerusalem, and all of the cities
17 contained in the lands thereof were under the complete control of the Arabs, the Arabs,
18 without provocation, still attacked Israel with the stated purpose being the complete and total
19 elimination of the State of Israel; and

20 WHEREAS, the actions of Yasser Arafat and those who he supports and harbors
21 intentionally target civilians of Israel to be killed, which is the definition of terrorism, thus
22 making all those who pursue these actions terrorists; and

1 WHEREAS, the actions of the State of Israel have been only to hunt down and bring to
2 justice the terrorists and those who support and harbor terrorism in order to protect the
3 citizens of the State of Israel which is the first duty of any sovereign, peaceful state in the
4 world; and

5 WHEREAS, Israel has consistently pursued these goals with the stated goal of not harming
6 innocent civilians in any way, therefore making their actions legally defensive rather than
7 terrorist; and

8 WHEREAS, Israel is doing nothing more than the United States' actions to hunt down and
9 bring to justice the terrorists and the terrorist organizations involved in the terrorist acts
10 against innocent civilians in New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania on September
11 11, 2001; and

12 WHEREAS, the people of Georgia, along with all Americans, grieve the senseless loss of
13 innocent lives due to such infamous acts of terror and evil throughout our world; and

14 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia claims many of her native men and women serving in
15 combat in the war against terror at this time; and

16 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia stands to be recognized as being of unequivocal support
17 for the State of Israel in its dire need to maintain its existence as a country and a democracy
18 at this time.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body support the State of Israel and its relentless battle against terrorism
21 and for all people suffering at the hands of terrorism and realize that animosity stems against
22 Israel for being representative of western democratic values and urge President George W.
23 Bush and the governors of all of the states of the United States of America to remain
24 steadfast in support of the State of Israel and for all who battle and are victims of senseless
25 acts of evil and all forms of terrorism at this critical time, not only as a continuing act of
26 justice, but also as a continuing and integral statement of principles for which we, as
27 Americans and Georgians, are now actively waging war.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the President of the United
30 States, the Georgia delegation to the United States Congress, the governors of all of the states

1 of the United States of America, and to the Israeli embassy in Washington, D.C., for
2 transmission to all of the proper authorities in the State of Israel.