

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Barnett, England,  
Frazier, McCaughn

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 571

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE 75TH  
2 ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL.

3 WHEREAS, the Jewish people established the sovereign and  
4 independent State of Israel on May 14, 1948, and the United States  
5 of America immediately recognized and established full diplomatic  
6 relations with Israel; and

7 WHEREAS, the uninterrupted dream of the Jewish people to  
8 reestablish their independent state is directly linked to their  
9 historic sovereignty in the Land of Israel, established 3,000  
10 years ago with the city of Jerusalem as its capital then as it is  
11 now; and

12 WHEREAS, against all odds and overwhelming force, 75 years  
13 ago the brave new nation of Israel immediately had to fight a war  
14 for independence, fiercely defending its right to exist in a  
15 hostile world; and

16 WHEREAS, the State of Israel has remained the strongest ally  
17 of the United States in the Middle East in the decades since its  
18 inception; and



19 WHEREAS, since its establishment, the modern State of Israel  
20 has rebuilt the nation, forged a new and dynamic society, and  
21 created a thriving economic, political, cultural, and intellectual  
22 life despite the heavy burdens of war and terrorism; and

23 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Israel, in the spirit of  
24 its Declaration of Independence, have established a vibrant,  
25 pluralistic, and democratic political system; and

26 WHEREAS, the State of Israel has developed an advanced  
27 entrepreneurial economy, has one of the world's leading  
28 technological industries, and is at the forefront of research and  
29 development in energy and medicine; and

30 WHEREAS, Israel contains sacred and holy sites of many of the  
31 world's religions, including Christianity and Islam, and thousands  
32 of Mississippians travel there each year to see these sites and  
33 participate in a rich cultural exchange with the Israeli people;  
34 and

35 WHEREAS, Mississippi and the State of Israel have continually  
36 maintained a relationship of honor and respect based upon mutual  
37 values of democratic freedom and desire for peace among all people  
38 of all nations; and

39 WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is an unequivocal supporter  
40 of the State of Israel and its right to defend itself against  
41 terror and any threat to its security; and

42 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to remain  
43 committed to a future where the State of Israel and its neighbors



44 can live in peace, with mutual recognition of each other's dignity  
45 and autonomy:

46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
47 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
48 we do honor and celebrate the 75th Anniversary of independence of  
49 the State of Israel and reaffirm our strong support for all people  
50 of the State of Israel to live in freedom and peace and as a  
51 blessing to all nations.

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be furnished to  
53 the Consul General Sultan-Dadon and to the members of the Capitol  
54 Press Corps.

