Proclamation

A proclamation recognizing the 75th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel

WHEREAS, on November 29, 1947, the United Nations General Assembly voted to partition the British Mandate for Palestine and create a Jewish state; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 1948, the people of Israel proclaimed the establishment of the Jewish sovereign and independent State of Israel, and the United States government was the first to recognize Israel's independence and later established full diplomatic relations with Israel; and

WHEREAS, the desire of the Jewish people to establish an independent modern State of Israel is an outgrowth of the historic kingdom of Israel established in the land of Israel 3,000 years ago, with the City of Jerusalem as its capital; and

WHEREAS, for more than 2,000 years there has been a continuous Jewish presence and residence in the lands comprising the modern State of Israel; and

WHEREAS, since its establishment 75 years ago, the modern State of Israel has rebuilt a nation, forged a new and dynamic society, and created a thriving economic, political, cultural, and intellectual life for its people despite the heavy costs of war, terrorism, and unjustified diplomatic and economic boycotts against the people of Israel; and

WHEREAS, Israel regularly sends humanitarian aid, search and rescue teams, mobile hospitals, and other emergency supplies to help victims of disasters around the world and has absorbed millions of Jews from other countries and fully integrated these immigrants into Israeli society; and

WHEREAS, for seven decades, the United States and Israel have maintained a special relationship based on shared democratic values, common strategic interests, and moral bonds of friendship and mutual respect; and

WHEREAS, Jerusalem has played a central role in the history and identity of the Jewish people for over 3,000 years and is the location of the holiest site, the Temple Mount, as well as the Western Wall, where people from around the world come to pray; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Federal Government recently recognized Jerusalem as the undivided capital of Israel and has relocated the United States Embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem; and

NOW THEREFORE, as Board of Commissioners from Morrow County, We do hereby recognize this special occasion of the State of Israel's 75th Anniversary.

Tim D. Abraham

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