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SENATE MEMORIAL 3

**56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024**

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A MEMORIAL

SUPPORTING THE STATE AND PEOPLE OF ISRAEL AND CONDEMNING THE  
HAMAS TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, Hamas, a terrorist  
organization, engaged in a series of premeditated, coordinated  
and brutal terrorist attacks against the state of Israel and  
its people; and

WHEREAS, the attacks resulted in a horrific massacre,  
including the firing of thousands of rockets into areas  
populated by civilians, door-to-door raids in civilian  
neighborhoods and an assault on a music festival where more  
than two hundred sixty people were indiscriminately brutalized,  
assaulted, taken hostage and murdered; and

WHEREAS, over one thousand two hundred Israelis have been  
killed and more than five thousand Israelis and foreign

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1 nationals have been injured in the attacks; and

2 WHEREAS, one hundred thirty-two Israelis remain  
3 unaccounted for out of an estimated two hundred forty Israelis  
4 that were taken hostage by Hamas, with children and elderly  
5 people among the hostages; and

6 WHEREAS, on December 2, 2023, the vice president of the  
7 United States confirmed that thirty-five American citizens were  
8 killed in the terrorist attacks launched by Hamas; and

9 WHEREAS, Hamas has long called for the eradication of the  
10 state and people of Israel and has sought to slaughter,  
11 brutalize and abduct innocent Israeli civilians; and

12 WHEREAS, Hamas has routinely used innocent civilians to  
13 shield their weapons and terrorist militants from legitimate  
14 military engagement, resulting in civilian deaths that are  
15 entirely the fault of Hamas; and

16 WHEREAS, Hamas' use of human shields is a violation of  
17 international humanitarian law and an egregious war crime;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE  
19 OF NEW MEXICO that the members of the senate of the state of  
20 New Mexico unequivocally condemn the Hamas terrorist  
21 organization and the premeditated, coordinated and brutal  
22 terrorist attacks it made on the state and people of Israel;  
23 and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the senate of  
25 the state of New Mexico extend their unwavering support to the

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1 state and people of Israel and mourn those who were killed in  
2 the attacks; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
4 transmitted to the president of the United States, the United  
5 States secretary of state, the United States ambassador to  
6 Israel, the president pro tempore of the United States senate,  
7 the speaker of the United States house of representatives and  
8 New Mexico's congressional delegation.