

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01

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CELEBRATING MOVEMENT OF US EMBASSY IN ISRAEL TO JERUSALEM

WHEREAS, the nation of Israel, reborn in 1948, has historically claimed Jerusalem as the eternal and undivided Capital of the Nation of Israel; and

WHEREAS, Israel is an established Jewish State, yet protects the holy sites of Christians and Muslims within their borders; and

WHEREAS, the faith of Judaism, the official religious faith of Israel, recognizes Jerusalem as the center of life for Jewish people; and

WHEREAS, God declared to King David: "But I chose Jerusalem for My Name to be there, and I chose David to rule over My people Israel." II Chronicles 6:6; and

WHEREAS, Christians acknowledge our roots in the Jewish faith, as our faith in the One true God, the Holy Scriptures, and our Savior, all came to us through Israel and the Jewish people; and

WHEREAS, Christians, Jews and Muslims, all freely gather for worship in the City of Jerusalem; and

WHEREAS, in 1955 the U.S. Congress passed the *U.S. Jerusalem Embassy Act* with overwhelming bipartisan support, encoding in U.S. law the recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital and requiring the movement of the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem by 1999; and

WHEREAS, succeeding presidents of both parties deferred the movement of the U.S. Embassy, signing temporary waivers every six months; and

WHEREAS, the delaying actions did nothing to ease hostility and bring peace; and

WHEREAS, our current president announced on December 6, 2017 that the United States would relocate our Embassy to Jerusalem; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2018, the United States Embassy opened in Jerusalem;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Alabama Republican Executive Committee, meeting February 23, 2019, that the Committee does hereby affirm and celebrate the relocation of the U.S. Embassy to Israel to its rightful place in Jerusalem.

Submitted by John Killian, Fayette County.

Adopted this the 23rd day of February 2019 by the Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party in session at Birmingham, Alabama.

Elaine Ridenour, Secretary

Terry Lathan, Chairman