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Urging repeal of a United Nations resolution equating Zionism with racism.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS, at the urging of the Soviet Union and other anti-Semitic countries, the United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution on November 10, 1975, that asserted that Zionism is a form of racism; and

WHEREAS Zionism is more accurately described as the liberation movement of Jewish people revolting against anti-Semitic oppression while seeking restoration of peaceful Jewish independence in their ancient homeland; and

WHEREAS the United Nations resolution directly contravenes the most basic principles of the United Nations Charter by singling out for slanderous attack the liberation movement of the Jewish people; and

WHEREAS that resolution undermines universal human rights values by fueling the flames of anti-Semitism; and

WHEREAS the United States Congress sharply condemned this United Nations action in 1975 and the United States Senate formally denounced the action again in 1985 by adoption of S. J. Resolution 98 which called upon other countries to join in the denunciation;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it

(1) soundly condemns any assertion that Zionism is comparable to racism;

(2) unequivocally charges that an assertion equating Zionism with racism is tantamount to bigotry itself; and

(3) strongly urges repeal of United Nations Resolution 3379 which inaccurately linked Zionism with racism; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the United States is respectfully requested to direct the United States Ambassador and the United States delegation to the United Nations to work determinedly for adoption by the United Nations of a resolution that would have the dual purpose of repealing Resolution 3379 and acknowledging the integrity and legitimacy of Zionism; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that Congress should continue to call upon other countries to condemn United Nations Resolution 3379.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ronald Reagan, President of the United States; the Honorable Vernon A. Walters, United States Ambassador to the United Nations; the Honorable George Bush, Vice-President of the United States and President of the United States Senate; the Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Speaker of the United States House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.