2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 92

November 21, 2023 - Introduced by Senator LARSON, cosponsored by Representatives HONG, MADISON, CLANCY, JOERS, MYERS, MOORE OMOKUNDE, SHELTON, STUBBS and WICHGERS. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: a call for an immediate de-escalation and cease-fire in Israel and in Gaza and the West Bank.

Whereas, all human life is precious, and the targeting of civilians, no matter their faith or ethnicity, is a violation of international humanitarian law; and

Whereas, between October 7 and October 23, 2023, armed violence has claimed the lives of over 5,000 Palestinians and over 1,400 Israelis, including Americans, and wounded thousands more; and

Whereas, this violence is an extension of a decades-long conflict stemming from failed policies inflicted on both Israelis and Palestinians; and

Whereas, hundreds of thousands of lives are at imminent risk if a cease-fire is not achieved and humanitarian aid is not delivered without delay; and

Whereas, this conflict is perpetuating a dangerous and costly lack of access to basic housing needs, compounding this health and humanitarian crisis; and

Whereas, the federal government holds immense diplomatic power to save Israeli and Palestinian lives; now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature urges support for facilitating de-escalation and calling for a cease-fire to urgently end the current violence in Israel and in Gaza and the West Bank; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Wisconsin Legislature urges support for an immediate release of all hostages and cessation of hostilities toward civilians by all parties in this war; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Wisconsin Legislature urges support for promptly sending and facilitating the entry of humanitarian assistance including food, water, and medical supplies into Gaza; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Wisconsin Legislature urges the end of the long-time occupation of Palestinian territories in order to ensure safety and self-determination for Palestinians and Israelis alike.