

1997 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 132

April 30, 1998 – Introduced by COMMITTEE ON ASSEMBLY ORGANIZATION, by request of Representative Wasserman, and Senators Rosenzweig and Darling. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: celebrating the 50th anniversary of Israel.
2	Whereas, on April 30, 1998, the State of Israel will celebrate its 50th
3	anniversary; and
4	Whereas, the achievement of nationhood was the culmination of decades of
5	effort aimed at creating a state in the territory that, 2000 years ago, was the Land
6	of Israel; and
7	Whereas, the State of Israel is a unique combination of a nation firmly rooted
8	in a rich and varied religious and spiritual tradition and a modern, cosmopolitan
9	country; and
10	Whereas, despite the volatility of the Middle East, Israel has made important
11	strides in creating peaceful relations with its neighbors and in establishing stability
12	in that region; and
13	Whereas, Israel is the only true democracy in the Middle East; and
14	Whereas, Israel has been a staunch ally and friend of the United States; and

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1	Whereas, Israel's population has increased tenfold since its inception, its
2	economy has flourished and it has produced an amazing number of eminent political
3	leaders; and
4	Whereas, Israel has been a haven for Jewish refugees while ensuring religious
5	freedom for all; and
6	Whereas, on the day after the State of Israel was founded, David Ben-Gurion
7	correctly stated that "something unique occurred yesterday in Israel, and only future
8	generations will be able to evaluate the full historical significance of the event"; and
9	Whereas, 50 years later it is clear that the full historical significance of the
10	event is monumental; now, therefore, be it
11	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the
12	Wisconsin legislature congratulate the citizens of Israel on their nation's 50th
13	anniversary, commend them for their nation's achievements during those 5 decades
14	and wish for them many centuries of peace and prosperity; and, be it further
15	Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
16	resolution to Israel's ambassador to this country and to Israel's Prime Minister,
17	Benjamin Netanyahu.
18	(END)

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