



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

