



## 2022 South Dakota Legislature

# House Concurrent Resolution 6009

Introduced by: **Representative Sue Peterson**

1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, commending Israel for its cordial and mutually**  
2 **beneficial relationship with this State and the United States.**

3 WHEREAS, Israel has been granted her lands under and through the oldest deed, as  
4 recorded in the Old Testament, a tome of scripture held sacred and revered by Jews and  
5 Christians alike; and

6 WHEREAS, the claim and presence of the Jewish people in Israel has remained constant  
7 throughout the past four thousand years; and

8 WHEREAS, the legal basis for the establishment of the modern State of Israel was a  
9 binding resolution under international law, which was unanimously adopted by the League of  
10 Nations in 1922, and subsequently affirmed by the United States Congress; and

11 WHEREAS, Article 80 of the United Nations Charter recognized the continued validity of  
12 the rights granted to states or peoples that already existed under international instruments;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Israel declared its independence and self-governance on May 14, 1948, with  
15 the goal of reestablishing its legally recognized lands as a homeland for the Jewish people;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, the United States, having been the first country to recognize Israel as an  
18 independent nation and as Israel's principal ally, has enjoyed a close and mutually beneficial  
19 relationship with Israel and her people; and

20 WHEREAS, Israel is a great friend and ally of the United States in the Middle East;

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-  
22 Seventh Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that Israel

1 be commended for its cordial and mutually beneficial relationship with the United States and  
2 the State of South Dakota, since 1948, and that in the coming years and decades, the  
3 relationship continue to strengthen and be valued, in this state and in this country, in all its  
4 dimensions.