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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 80

RECOGNIZING OUR COMMON HUMANITY AND OUR CONCERN REGARDING THE ISRAEL-HAMAS WAR.

1 WHEREAS, the attack on Israel by Hamas militants on October 7, 2023, and the subsequent incursion into Gaza
2 by the Israeli military have resulted in catastrophic and heartbreaking losses of human life; and

3 WHEREAS, the State of Delaware has citizens with ties to the region who hold differing views on the politics of
4 the war, but who share a common humanity; and

5 WHEREAS, while a state legislature is not an instrument of foreign policy, as a body, it can still declare its
6 support for a long lasting and sustainable peace based on mutual respect and the unalienable rights of all people to life,
7 liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, and to call upon people of goodwill to come together and build a more peaceful future;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, we can make a start by recognizing that each Delawarean comes from diverse backgrounds, with
10 their different social, religious, ethnic, cultural, educational backgrounds, adds value to all human experience; and

11 WHEREAS, we have a responsibility to build a tomorrow where all individuals can feel that they and their
12 children will be safe, and cared for, and have a future with thoughtfulness and purpose; and

13 WHEREAS, the Delaware General Assembly has a responsibility to lead with moral and ethical conviction and to
14 be respectful of all during a time of turmoil. Hate, and especially hate based on race, religion, ethnicity, and bigotry, has no
15 place in our state.

16 NOW, THEREFORE:

17 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
18 Senate concurring therein, that the General Assembly recognizes we are a state of neighbors, bound together by empathy,

19 compassion, and a sense that we are stronger together. Our hearts go out to all who are suffering, here in Delaware and
20 across the world.

SYNOPSIS

This concurrent resolution expresses the State of Delaware General Assembly's concern for the loss of life in the Israel-Hamas war and calls on the legislature and the citizens of Delaware to recognize our common humanity and the shared strength of our diversity.