

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-319

First Reading Passage Requested

2

(J. Schmidt)

3 SPONSORS Mr. Schmidt, Ms. Dickinson, Ms. Sims

4

5 DATE October 16, 2023 COMMITTEE Committee of the Whole

6

7 **A Resolution expressing resolute support for the state of Israel and its citizens and**
8 **condemning in the strongest terms the recent barbaric attacks against the nation, and**
9 **encouraging the United States and its partners to continue to provide broad assistance to**
10 **Israel, for Council, and declaring an emergency.**

11

12 WHEREAS, Israel is the strongest ally to the United States in the Middle East and the
13 safety and security of Israel is of great importance to the stability of the region; and

14

15 WHEREAS, the United States and Israel share a 75-year partnership, built on mutual
16 interests and shared democratic values; and

17

18 WHEREAS, Ohio and Summit County are home to many of Jewish faith, and countless
19 residents support the people and nation of Israel; and

20

21 WHEREAS, On October 7, 2023, Hamas extremists carried out heinous and despicable
22 acts of violence against Israeli citizens in their homeland, resulting in the death of thousands,
23 including many citizens of the United States; and

24

25 WHEREAS, the United States and its allies must continue to fully commit to Israel's
26 security and stand ready to assist Israel with diplomatic and intelligence support; and

27

28 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
29 that it is in the best interest of the County to strongly condemn the barbaric attacks against the
30 nation of Israel;

31

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
33 of Ohio, that:

34

35 SECTION 1

36

37 This Council expresses resolute support for the state of Israel and its citizens and
38 condemns in the strongest terms the recent attacks against the nation, and encourages the United
39 States and its partners to continue to provide broad assistance to Israel.

40

41 SECTION 2

42

43 The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to President
44 Joe Biden, U.S. Senators Sherrod Brown and J.D. Vance, and U.S. Congresswoman Emilia
45 Sykes.

46

47 SECTION 3

48

49 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and
50 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit and for the further purpose of immediately
51 expressing resolute support for the state of Israel.

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-319
PAGE TWO

SECTION 4

Provided this Resolution received the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

SECTION 5

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

INTRODUCED October 16, 2023

ADOPTED October 16, 2023

DocuSigned by:

487AE1C02A5947...
CLERK OF COUNCIL

DocuSigned by:

C85A940FE4BA42A...
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED October 16, 2023

DocuSigned by:

CBD33E40D287473...
EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE October 17, 2023

Voice Vote – YES: 10 – 0: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite
Absent: Donofrio