

AMENDMENT TO ISRAEL SECURITY
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024
OFFERED BY MR. VAN DREW OF NEW JERSEY

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

1 SEC. ____ . FINDINGS; SENSE OF CONGRESS.

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

3 (1) The State of Israel was established in 1948,
4 following the adoption of the United Nations Parti-
5 tion Plan for Palestine, and has since been recog-
6 nized by the international community as a sovereign
7 state.

8 (2) Israel has faced numerous armed conflicts
9 and terrorist attacks since its establishment, includ-
10 ing the War of Independence from 1948 through
11 1949, the Six-Day War in 1967, the Yom Kippur
12 War in 1973, and repeated rocket attacks from ter-
13 rorist organizations.

14 (3) Israel has entered into peace agreements
15 with neighboring countries including Egypt in 1979
16 and Jordan in 1993, and has engaged in peace nego-
17 tiations with Palestinian leadership, indicating its
18 willingness for peaceful coexistence.

1 (4) The founding charter of Hamas, issued in
2 1988, advocated for the destruction of Israel and
3 has utilized violent means for achieving a Pales-
4 tinian state, underscoring the organization's long-
5 standing hostility towards Israel and its inhabitants.

6 (5) The United States and Israel share a long-
7 standing friendship and alliance, rooted in shared
8 values of democracy, human rights, and the rule of
9 law.

10 (6) Hamas terrorists crossed the land border
11 and began slaughtering Israelis and abducting hos-
12 tages in towns in southern Israel, including children
13 and the elderly.

14 (7) On October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists
15 launched a massive, unprovoked war on Israel by
16 air, land, and sea, including firing thousands of
17 rockets.

18 (8) Since October 7, 2023, Hamas launched
19 over 5,000 rockets into southern and central Israel.

20 (9) Since October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists
21 have killed over 1,300 Israelis and injured more
22 than 3,000 others.

23 (10) At least 22 United States citizens in Israel
24 are among those killed by Hamas since October 7,
25 2023.

1 (11) Since October 7, 2023, Hamas is directly
2 responsible for the deaths of hundreds of Palestin-
3 ians.

4 (12) On October 7, there has not been more
5 Jewish deaths in one day since the Holocaust.

6 (13) On October 10, 2023, Israel confirmed
7 that Hamas terrorists slaughtered 40 infants. and

8 (14) Hamas is a United States, Australia, Can-
9 ada, Japan, European Union, and the United King-
10 dom-designated foreign terrorist organization.

11 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
12 gress that the House of Representatives—

13 (1) undisputedly reaffirms Israel’s right to
14 exist;

15 (2) fully supports Israel’s right to self-defense;

16 (3) ardently condemns Hamas’ brutal war
17 against Israel;

18 (4) calls on the international community to un-
19 equivocally condemn Hamas’ brutal war against
20 Israel; and

21 (5) urges the international community to sup-
22 port Israel and call out any and all forms of anti-
23 semitism.

