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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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Condemning the support of Hamas, Hezbollah, and other terrorist organizations at institutions of higher education, which may lead to the creation of a hostile environment for Jewish students, faculty, and staff.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. OWENS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

Condemning the support of Hamas, Hezbollah, and other terrorist organizations at institutions of higher education, which may lead to the creation of a hostile environment for Jewish students, faculty, and staff.

Whereas both Hamas and Hezbollah are recognized by the United States Department of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations;

Whereas, on October 7, 2023, Hamas launched a surprise attack to deliberately target Israeli civilians, including the killing and abduction of men, women, children, and the elderly;

Whereas Hamas' stated goal is the entire destruction of the State of Israel and the murder of its Jewish citizens;

Whereas a disturbing number of student organizations at institutions of higher education placed blame solely upon the State of Israel for the attack and expressed support for the terrorist actions of Hamas through the glorification of violence and the usage of antisemitic rhetoric;

Whereas many administrations of institutions of higher education do not follow the practice of institutional neutrality and frequently speak out on public issues, but have failed to speak out clearly after the October 7 attack by Hamas, and have exposed their lack of regard for their Jewish and pro-Israel students;

Whereas the glorification of violence and usage of antisemitic rhetoric creates a hostile learning and working environment for Jewish students, faculty, and staff: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) condemns the support of Hamas, Hezbollah,
3 and other terrorist organizations at institutions of
4 higher education, which may lead to the creation of
5 a hostile environment for Jewish students, faculty,
6 and staff; and

7 (2) urges the Secretary of Education to direct
8 the Office for Civil Rights to investigate and, where
9 appropriate, take action immediately.