

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION  
CONGRATULATING THE STATE OF ISRAEL  
ON SEVENTY YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE**

**WHEREAS**, April 20, 2018, marks the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Israel's independence; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 29, 1947, the United Nations General Assembly voted to partition the British Mandate of Palestine; and,

**WHEREAS**, on May 15, 1948, or the 5<sup>th</sup> day of Iyar of the Hebrew calendar, eight hours before the end of the British Mandate of Palestine, the State of Israel declared independence; and

**WHEREAS**, in its 70 years of statehood, Israel has established a modern parliamentary democracy, becoming one of the most successful democracies in the Middle East, and

**WHEREAS**, despite hostility and conflicts, the people of Israel have built a strong nation, continue to strive for peace and security, and forged a dynamic society, creating a unique and vital economic, political, cultural, and intellectual life for its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Israel shares innovations and achievements in agriculture, education, research and development, humanitarian aid, technology, solar, wind, and water power advancements, music and the arts throughout the world.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 30<sup>th</sup> Stamford Board of Representatives congratulates the State of Israel on its 70 years of independence.

*Approved by the 30<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives  
This 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2018*

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Matthew Quinones, President

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Susan Nabel, Clerk