

STATE OF KANSAS

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MR. CHAIRMAN:

I move to amend **HR 6030**, on page 2, in line 8, after "ally" by inserting "; and

WHEREAS, The residents of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, many of whom were displaced from their ancestral homes as a result of events surrounding the declaration of the State of Israel in 1948, have lived under occupation or blockade by the State of Israel since 1967, a period of 56 years, with no end to their suffering in sight; and

WHEREAS, The response by the State of Israel to the attacks of October 7 has caused the deaths of over 20,000 people in the Gaza Strip, most of whom were civilians, including at least 18 Palestinian Christians who were killed by an air strike on the Church of St. Porphyry on October 19; and

WHEREAS, Lasting peace in the Middle East will not be possible until a just solution to the occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip is achieved";

Also on page 2, following line 22, by inserting:

*"Be it further resolved:* That we call on the government of the United States to reaffirm its commitment to helping achieve a just and lasting peace in the Middle East; and";

On page 1, in the title, in line 2, by striking the second "and" and inserting a comma; in line 3, after "Israel" by inserting "and calling for a commitment by the government of the United States to help achieve a just and lasting peace in the Middle East"

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