

## **RESOLUTION NO. 23-25**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND DENOUNCING THE TERRORIST ACTIONS OF HAMAS; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, The Nation of Israel and its people are under attack by Hamas, a Designated Foreign Terrorist Organization by the United States Department of State; and

**WHEREAS**, President Joe Biden officially stated that the United States unequivocally condemns this appalling assault against Israel by Hamas terrorist from Gaza and that Israel has a right to defend its people; and

**WHEREAS**, thousands of innocent men, women and children are being brutally attacked and murdered by Hamas terrorists; and

**WHEREAS**, Israel has officially declared a state of war against Hamas; and

**WHEREAS**, Israel was founded in 1948 as the homeland for the Jewish people; and

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 672,465 Jewish people living in Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Cooper City, Florida has a significant Jewish and Israeli population, many of whom have loved ones currently in harms' way; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Cooper City finds it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of the City to express its support for the State of Israel and to denounce the terrorist actions of Hamas.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1:** The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and incorporated as the legislative intent of this Resolution.

**Section 2:** The City Commission of the City of Cooper City, Florida hereby expresses its support for the State of Israel's rights to exist peacefully.

**Section 3.** The City Commission of the City of Cooper City, Florida hereby denounces the terrorist actions of Hamas and opposes hate, extremism, and violence.

**Section 4.** The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Consul General of Israel in Miami, the Jewish Federation of Broward County, the David Posnack Jewish Community Center, Broward County Commission, and all Broward County Municipalities.

**Section 5.** **Conflicts.** All resolutions inconsistent or in conflict herewith shall be and are hereby repealed insofar as there is conflict or inconsistency.

**Section 6.** **Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

**Section 7.** **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage and adoption by the City Commission.


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**PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.**



GREG ROSS  
Mayor

ATTEST:



TEDRA ALLEN, MMC  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Ross

Commissioner Green

Commissioner Shrouder

Commissioner Katzman

Commissioner Mallozzi

yes  
yes  
yes  
yes  
yes