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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

HOUSE RESOLUTION

OPPOSING UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2334

Introduced By: Representatives Ackerman, Jacquard, Craven, McNamara, and
Chippendale

Date Introduced: January 13, 2017

Referred To: House Judiciary

1 WHEREAS, The United States has long supported, and since 1993 has facilitated, direct
2 bilateral negotiations and a settlement that would lead to a sustainable two-state solution with the
3 democratic, Jewish state of Israel and a demilitarized, democratic Palestinian state living side-by-
4 side in peace and security, and ending all outstanding claims; and

5 WHEREAS, Passage of United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334 effectively
6 lends legitimacy to efforts by the Palestinian Authority to impose its own solution through
7 international organizations and through unjustified boycotts or divestment campaigns against
8 Israel; and

9 WHEREAS, United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334 seeks to both impose or
10 unduly influence solutions to final status issues, is an obstacle to Israeli-Palestinian peace, and is
11 biased against Israel; and

12 WHEREAS, It is the long-standing policy of the United States that a peaceful resolution
13 to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict will only come through direct, bilateral negotiations between the
14 two parties; and

15 WHEREAS, It is also the long-standing position of the United States to oppose and, if
16 necessary, veto one-sided or anti-Israel resolutions at the United Nations Security Council; now,
17 therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives hereby strongly reaffirms the long
19 standing role of the United States government in facilitating bilateral negotiations between Israel
20 and representatives from the Palestinian territory; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That this House hereby staunchly supports House Resolution 11 "Objecting
2 to United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334 as an obstacle to Israeli-Palestinian peace,
3 and for other purposes" and firmly opposes any future actions by the United Nations Security
4 Council that undermine bilateral negotiations in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
6 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the United Nations Security Council and
7 members of the Rhode Island Congressional delegation.

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