



Jewish Federation of Delaware's Jewish Community Relations Committee Statement on Israeli President Isaac Herzog's Special Address to Congress

Jewish Federation of Delaware's Jewish Community Relations Committee (JCRC) expresses our sincere appreciation to our Congressional Delegation members for demonstrating their support for the 75-year relationship between the United States and Israel by supporting H. Con. Res. 57 *"Expressing the sense of Congress supporting the State of Israel,"* (412-9-1) and for attending Israeli President Isaac Herzog's special address to a joint session of Congress.

We are fortunate that Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer and House Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries have been consistent in their unwavering support of the unbreakable bond between the US and Israel. Their strong, steadfast, and bipartisan commitment to strengthening that vital relationship by their support for the resolution and attendance at President Herzog's address is emblematic of their commitment to ensuring the security of Israel and our shared democratic values.

The Jewish community of Delaware is deeply grateful for the friendship of our Senators and of the overwhelming number of Members of the House who have consistently reaffirmed the time-honored link between our country and Israel.

Josh Schoenberg, Chair of the Federation's JCRC said, *"I was so proud to be able to watch President Herzog speak before a Joint Session of Congress today. His emphasis on the unbreakable bond between the United States and Israel is at true today as when his father spoke similar words 35 years ago in the same chamber. The United States and Israel are mishpachah (family). We may disagree on what one family member or the other is doing, but our love and devotion to each other knows no limits. As was seen by the enormous bi-partisan reception bestowed to Bougie Herzog by the House and Senate, the US-Israel relationship is as strong as ever. I applaud the entire Delaware Congressional Delegation for attending and engaging with President Herzog. We are fortunate in Delaware to have strong friends of Israel representing Delaware in Washington, D.C."*

As President Joe Biden recently stated, "*This is a friendship that I believe is simply unbreakable…, America's commitment to Israel is firm. And it is ironclad.*" This sentiment was echoed earlier today by President Herzog in his address to Congress stating, "*To us, it is clear that America is irreplaceable to Israel, and Israel is irreplaceable to America.*"

Click here to see a video and read a transcript of President Herzog's Speech to Congress.



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