

Middle East Foreign Policy Resolution

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3 **WHEREAS** United States foreign policy in the Middle East has failed to resolve
4 conflict between the Palestinian and Israeli peoples; and,
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6 **WHEREAS** tacit support for Israel's over-reaching response to actions of violence
7 perpetrated against it has resulted in untold innocent deaths and destruction to infrastructure;
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10 **WHEREAS** Israeli weapons are supplied by the USA, some designated illegal as
11 defined by international law, and are paid for out of our taxes; and,
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13 **WHEREAS** the reluctance to ever criticize Israeli policy is ample evidence of the
14 great political power exercised by AIPAC, JDL, and other Israeli lobbying
15 organizations advising the congress; and,
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17 **WHEREAS** the fear to discuss or speak out regarding Israeli and Palestinian actions
18 in the Middle East makes congress ineffective in working toward the desire of all
19 peoples for Peace in the area, and seriously harms our foreign policy in the region;
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21 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic Party
22 (WSDCC) challenge our national leaders to speak out and create opportunities for
23 discussion of our Middle East foreign policies; and
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25 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the WSDCC challenge our
26 national leaders to fashion a more balanced diplomatic position between Israeli and
27 Arab interests in the Middle East; and
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29 **THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that WSDCC specifically require our
30 Democratic Congressional Delegation to establish a Middle East Peace Conference,
31 appointing a strong and experienced leader such as Jimmy Carter, or the Rv. Jesse
32 Jackson, to bring all parties to dialog seeking conflict resolution and cessation of
33 violence; to focus on agreement of all parties upon a solution that ends the cycle of
34 violence and fosters harmony in the region.