RESOLUTION NO. 2023-50

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, during the seven-day festival of Sukkot and the sacred Jewish holiday of Shmini Atzeret, Hamas terrorists launched a coordinated unprovoked surprise attack on Israel causing widespread death and destruction;

WHEREAS, Hamas's barbaric attacks have so far resulted in the deaths of approximately 2,000 people, including over fifty children, some of whom were beheaded, the wounding of thousands of innocent Israelis, Americans, and others, and the capture of hundreds of civilians;

WHEREAS, Hamas has killed at least fourteen American citizens and is holding an undetermined number of Americans hostage in Gaza;

WHEREAS, a full-fledged surprise attack has been waged from the air, sea, and ground by hoards of Hamas militants; and, thousands of missiles have been fired from Gaza streaked through the sky and began raining down on indiscriminate targets in Israel, sparking terror and leaving hundreds of bodies in the streets of cities and buildings decimated;

WHEREAS, this is the most significant attack on Israel since the Yom Kippur War fifty years ago; and

WHEREAS, the United States of America is an ally of Israel and has pledged support for Israel and its efforts to defend itself and its citizens,

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach does hereby resolve as follows:

- 1. That the City publicly declares support for Israel,
- 2. That the City condemns Hamas for the horrifying attack on Israel, and
- 3. That the City publicly expresses sympathy for those Israelis who are suffering, dying, or being held hostage.

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INITIATED AND APPROVED:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Mayor	City Attorney
Mayor Pro Tempore	