



119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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Affirming that Hamas cannot retain any political or military control in  
the Gaza Strip .

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### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. COTTON, Ms. ROSEN, and  
Mrs. BRITT) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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## RESOLUTION

Affirming that Hamas cannot retain any political or military  
control in the Gaza Strip .

Whereas Hamas was established in 1987, with the Hamas  
Covenant stating “Israel will exist and will continue to  
exist until [it is] obliterate[d]” clearly signifying the in-  
tent of Hamas to destroy the State of Israel, eradicate  
the Jewish population, and undermine peace and pros-  
perity in the Middle East;

Whereas, on October 8, 1997, the Secretary of State des-  
ignated Hamas a foreign terrorist organization in accord-  
ance with section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality  
Act (8 U.S.C. 1189) for their repeated support for acts  
of terrorism;

Whereas, since 2007, Hamas has served as the de facto governing body in the Gaza Strip;

Whereas, on October 7, 2023, Hamas—

(1) launched an unprovoked attack against the State of Israel;

(2) brutally murdered more than 1,200 innocent men, women, and children;

(3) took more than 250 individuals hostage; and

(4) injured thousands more individuals in the deadliest attack on the Jewish people since the Holocaust;

Whereas the United States Government has concluded that—

(1) “Hamas has received funding, weapons, and training from the Islamic Republic of Iran”; and

(2) “Iran provides up to \$100,000,000 annually in combined support to Palestinian terrorist groups, including Hamas”; and

Whereas Hamas has threatened to attack the State of Israel again and stated “We must teach Israel a lesson, and we will do this again and again. The Al-Aqsa Deluge [the name Hamas gave its October 7 onslaught] is just the first time, and there will be a second, a third, a fourth”:  
Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2           (1) affirms that Hamas cannot be allowed to  
3       retain any political or military control in the Gaza  
4       Strip;

5           (2) calls upon the President to use all economic  
6       and diplomatic tools possible to halt all sources of  
7       funding for Hamas from the Islamic Republic of  
8       Iran and all other sources of revenue; and

1           (3) supports the State of Israel as it continues  
2       to defend its sovereignty against attacks from  
3       Hamas, the Islamic Republic of Iran, and all other  
4       Iranian proxies.