
HOUSE RESOLUTION

ACKNOWLEDGING THE HISTORICAL AND WIDELY-RECOGNIZED NAMES OF
"JUDEA" AND "SAMARIA" FOR THE TERRITORY COMMONLY REFERRED
TO AS THE "WEST BANK".

1 WHEREAS, the United States of America and Israel are
2 long-time allies; and
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4 WHEREAS, the area commonly known as the "West Bank" is at
5 the core of ancient and modern-day Israel; and
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7 WHEREAS, the terms "Judea" and "Samaria" more accurately
8 capture the historical and legal significance of the territory;
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11 WHEREAS, although the Hawaii State House of Representatives
12 does not presume to establish American foreign policy, determine
13 final status issues, or create a new law relating to the ongoing
14 conflict in the Middle East, the House of Representatives also
15 wishes to use terminology that is historically accurate; now,
16 therefore,
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18 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
19 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
20 of 2026, to acknowledge the historical and widely-recognized
21 names of "Judea" and "Samaria" for the territory commonly
22 referred to as the "West Bank"; and
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all state officials are
25 respectfully requested to use the terms "Judea" and "Samaria" in
26 all relevant correspondence relating to the "West Bank"; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Secretary of State of the
3 United States; United States Ambassador to Israel; Governor of
4 the State of Hawaii; and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of
5 Hawaii.

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