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H. CON. RES. 11

Expressing the sense of Congress that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel and therefore, consistent with the location of other United States embassies, the United States embassy in Israel should be located in Jerusalem.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 23, 2017

Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. SHERMAN) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel and therefore, consistent with the location of other United States embassies, the United States embassy in Israel should be located in Jerusalem.

Whereas the city of Jerusalem is the seat of Israel's Government, including its President, Parliament, and Supreme Court, and is the site of numerous government ministries and social and cultural institutions;

Whereas since June 7, 1967, the city of Jerusalem has been an undivided city;

Whereas since 1995, it has been Federal law to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and to relocate to Jerusalem the United States Embassy in Israel, and this law has not been superseded;

Whereas this sense of Congress has no bearing on the final status of Jerusalem as the United States is not a party to the Israel-Palestinian conflict;

Whereas the United States maintains its embassy in the functioning capital of every country except in the case of the United States democratic friend and strategic ally, the State of Israel; and

Whereas the United States maintains a consulate in the city of Jerusalem that conducts the official business of the United States Government: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) the United States Government should offi-
4 cially recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel;
5 and

6 (2) the United States embassy in Israel should
7 be located in the city of Jerusalem.

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