

**{As Amended by House Committee of the Whole}**

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**House Concurrent Resolution No. 5030**

By Representatives Osman, Alcala, Amyx, Anderson, Arnberger, Ballard, Barker, Bergkamp, Bergquist, Blex, Borjon, Burris, Burroughs, Byers, Carlin, Carlson, W. Carpenter, Clark, Clayton, Clifford, Coleman, Collins, Concannon, Corbet, Croft, Curtis, Delperdang, Dodson, Donohoe, Ellis, Eplee, Esau, Estes, Fairchild, Featherston, Finch, Francis, French, Garber, Gartner, Haswood, Hawkins, Helgerson, Helmer, Henderson, Highberger, Highland, Hoffman, Hoheisel, Houser, Howell, Howerton, Hoye, Huebert, Humphries, Jacobs, S. Johnson, T. Johnson, Kessler, Kuether, Lee, Long, Lynn, Mason, Meyer, Miller, Minnix, Moser, Murphy, Neelly, Neighbor, Newland, Ousley, Owens, Patton, Penn, Poskin, Probst, Proctor, Proehl, Rahjes, Ralph, Resman, Rhiley, L. Ruiz, S. Ruiz, Ryckman, Sanders, Sawyer, Schmidt, Schreiber, Seiwert, A. Smith, C. Smith, E. Smith, Stogsdill, Sutton, Tarwater, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Vaughn, Victors, Waggoner, Wasinger, Waymaster, Weigel, Wheeler, Williams, Winn, Wolfe Moore, Woodard and Xu

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the growing problem of  
2 antisemitism in the United States and calling for the adoption of the  
3 International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Working Definition of  
4 Antisemitism as an important tool to address the problem.  
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6 WHEREAS, Antisemitism, including harassment based on actual or  
7 perceived Jewish origin, ancestry, ethnicity, identity, affiliation or faith,  
8 remains a persistent and disturbing problem in American society; and

9 WHEREAS, The Jewish community continues to be targeted in the  
10 United States and is consistently the most likely of all religious groups to  
11 be victimized by incidents of hate; and

12 WHEREAS, Incidents motivated by antisemitism are increasing at an  
13 alarming rate; and

14 WHEREAS, The deadliest attack to date against the American Jewish  
15 community took place on October 27, 2018, at the Tree of Life  
16 Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and

17 WHEREAS, This senseless act of violence took the lives of 11  
18 members of the Tree of Life, New Light and Dor Hadash congregations;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, The Kansas Jewish community has experienced firsthand  
21 the deadly result of antisemitism; and

22 WHEREAS, On April 13, 2014, three people lost their lives due to  
23 antisemitic attacks at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas  
24 City and the Village Shalom, both located in Overland Park, Kansas; and

1 WHEREAS, State officials and institutions have a responsibility to  
2 protect citizens from acts of hate and bigotry, including antisemitism, and  
3 must adopt the tools to do so; and

4 WHEREAS, Valid monitoring, informed analysis, investigation and  
5 effective policy-making benefit from accurate and uniform definitions;  
6 and

7 WHEREAS, In May 2016, the International Holocaust Remembrance  
8 Alliance (IHRA), by a consensus vote of its member states, adopted a  
9 Working Definition of Antisemitism; and

10 WHEREAS, The IHRA's Working Definition of Antisemitism  
11 includes eleven examples of contemporary antisemitism that capture  
12 some of the many ways antisemitism manifests itself, whether in public  
13 life, media, schools, the workplace or the religious sphere; and

14 WHEREAS, The IHRA's Working Definition of Antisemitism has  
15 become the internationally recognized and authoritative definition used  
16 by governments, international organizations and educational institutions;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, The IHRA's Working Definition of Antisemitism is  
19 utilized by numerous government and law enforcement agencies,  
20 including the United States Department of State and the United States  
21 Department of Education, in monitoring, training and education; and

22 WHEREAS, The IHRA's Working Definition of Antisemitism has  
23 been adopted through legislative or executive action in an increasing  
24 number of U.S. states: Now, therefore,

25 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,*  
26 *the Senate concurring therein:* The state of Kansas adopts the non-legally  
27 binding International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Working  
28 Definition of Antisemitism, including the 11 contemporary examples; and

29 *Be it further resolved:* The Kansas Department of Administration shall  
30 ensure that the IHRA's Working Definition of Antisemitism is made  
31 available as an educational resource for all state agencies; and

32 *Be it further resolved:* Nothing in this resolution shall be construed to  
33 diminish or infringe upon any right protected under the First Amendment  
34 to the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the State of  
35 Kansas; and

36 *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State shall send enrolled  
37 copies of this resolution to the Jewish Community Relations Bureau—~~of~~  
38 ~~the—{}~~American Jewish Committee, the—~~Combating~~ **{Combat}**  
39 Antisemitism Movement, Senator Corson and Representatives Osman,  
40 **{Croft,}** T. Johnson and Poskin.