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Congressional Record in celebration of Yom Ha’atzmaut, Israel Independence Day.

“I rise today to celebrate Yom Ha’atzmaut, the anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel.

“On this day fifty-seven years ago in 1948, the British Mandate over Palestine expired and cleared the path for the State of Israel to be created. Despite her continued struggle for existence, Israel has overcome these difficulties to thrive and prosper. Israelis have become world leaders in agriculture, technology, medicine and science.

“I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Israel for its continued support through the decades. Since its creation, Israel has been one of America’s staunchest allies. And as the sole democracy in the Middle East, we as a nation must maintain our support and ensure our ally’s continued survival.”

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