

TEMPLE BETH EL OF BOCA RATON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION REGARDING ISRAEL
July 18, 2024

WHEREAS, Temple Beth El of Boca Raton ("TBE") proudly supports the State of Israel, recognizing that Zionism and Ahavat Yisrael, love of the people, land, and State of Israel, are central to our identity as a Kehilla Kedosha (holy congregation);

WHEREAS, TBE affirms the integral role of Israel in our Jewish identity and our Temple's mission, consistent with our almost 60-year history of supporting Israel;


WHEREAS, it is essential for our synagogue to articulate a clear Israel Statement, strongly supporting Israel, in alignment with our Mission Statement ("To enrich lives by generating bonds of love through exceptional Jewish experiences") and our Vision Statement (to "Share a love and responsibility for each other, our community and country, for Israel, and for the future of the Jewish people");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Temple Beth El of Boca Raton adopts the following policy to guide the Temple in relation to its position, communications, policies, and education about the State of Israel and Zionism:

1. **TBE unequivocally supports the State of Israel as an inseparable part of our Jewish identity and heritage.**
2. **TBE reaffirms its commitment to Zionism, recognizing the historical and ongoing significance of Israel for the Jewish people.**
3. **TBE will actively communicate and promote the importance of the State of Israel through various channels, including:**
 - Providing regular opportunities for members of the congregation to travel to Israel to experience Israel personally;
 - Sharing advocacy opportunities in keeping with our congregation's and Reform Jewish values;
 - Providing educational resources on the history of Zionism and Israel, and the complexities of Israeli society and current events;
 - Providing emotional support to those affected by events in Israel;
4. **TBE will empower its staff and clergy to implement this Israel Policy through programming, education, counseling, communication, and other appropriate means.**

This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Trustees.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on July 18, 2024


Gina Shugar, President