

RESOLUTION 20-11.29

Resolution supporting diplomatic peace-building efforts in the Middle East and North Africa

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party has consistently supported a directly and bilaterally negotiated two-state solution that ensures Israel's future as a Jewish and democratic state with recognized borders and upholds the right of Palestinians to live in freedom and security in a viable state of their own;

WHEREAS, a just and peaceful solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict does not include the prospect of unilateral annexation, which has been historically opposed by all American governments except the Trump Administration, because it threatens the security and dignity of residents and threatened to undermine cooperation between the parties which is the best path to achieving democracy, justice and equal rights of self-determination for Israelis and Palestinians;

WHEREAS, the normalization of relations between countries not only helps build economic partnerships, foster cross-border understanding and begin the long process of peace, as has been seen with historic treaties with Egypt and Jordan, but also has often encouraged the development of democratic values, minority protections and multicultural tolerance across borders, and such peace partners have at times served to provide additional pressure against efforts by the Israeli Right to pursue annexation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the California Democratic Party supports the historic partnership agreements between Israel and its new peace partners the UAE and Bahrain and the roles this peace plays in preventing unilateral annexation of the West Bank as well as encouraging greater tolerance, democratic values and civil liberties protections in the UAE and Bahrain, which still have considerable room for improvement.

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