

State Assembly Joint Resolution 82 condemned Hamas' barbaric attack against Israel without acknowledging Palestine's right to self-determination.

MADISON - Today, Rep. Madison abstained on AJR 82.

Representative Madison (D-10) issued the following statement:



"I mourn deeply for the loss of Israeli and Palestinian lives and unequivocally condemn the war crimes committed by Hamas. The killing of innocent civilians is never acceptable.

Rep. Madison Condemns War Crimes and Calls for Ceasefire

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AJR 82 rightfully included incredibly important language mourning the loss of life of innocent Israeli civilians. I abstained from this resolution not because of that, but because it called for the 'unwavering support to Israeli sovereignty' without also calling for an end to the occupation of Palestine. I believe that the responsible way out of this crisis is to acknowledge that both Palestine and Israel have the right to self-determination.

The global community must come together and call for an immediate ceasefire so that we can work towards lasting peace. Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."