

H.Res.793 - Calling on Hamas to immediately release hostages taken during October 2023 attack on Israel

Whereas, on October 7, 2023, Hamas launched a brutal terrorist attack from Gaza into Israel and against the Israeli people;

Whereas Hamas killed hundreds of individuals, including many Americans, in the attack;

Whereas Hamas has abducted roughly 150 people and is holding them hostage in Gaza;

Whereas, on October 10, 2023, President Joe Biden confirmed that Americans are known to be among the hostages;

Whereas it is reported that children and senior citizens are among the hostages; and

Whereas Hamas has threatened to execute hostages and videotape the killings: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

- (1) condemns Hamas for its brutal attack on Israel;
- (2) condemns Hamas for the taking of hostages;
- (3) condemns Hamas for threats made against hostages;
- (4) demands that Hamas immediately release all hostages and return them to safety; and
- (5) expresses sympathy to the hostages, wounded, deceased, and their families for this travesty to justice and personal hardship.