

Huffman votes nay on resolution condemning Hamas terror

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On November 2, the 118th Congress voted on a resolution, “condemning support of Hamas, Hezbollah and other terrorist organizations at institutions of higher education, which may lead to the creation of a hostile environment for Jewish students, faculty and staff.” The resolution overwhelmingly passed with 396 yeas against 23 nays. 14 congressional representatives did not vote on the resolution.

Jared Huffman who represents California Congressional District 2, which includes Del Norte County, voted against the resolution.

Other representatives voting Nay on this resolution were:

Earl Blumenauer (D) Oregon, Jamaal Bowman (D) New York, Corrie Bush (D) Missouri, Andre Carson (D) Indiana, Maxwell Frost (D) Florida, Jesus “Chuy” Garcia (D) Illinois, Jonathan Jackson (D), Illinois, Pramila Jayapal (D) Washington, Summer Lee (D) Pennsylvania, Jim McGovern (D) Massachusetts, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D) New York, Omar Ilhan (D) Minnesota, Ayanna Pressley (D) Massachusetts, Delia

Ramirez (D) Illinois, Rashida Tlaib (D) Michigan, Ritchie Torres (D) New York, Lauren Underwood (D) Illinois, Nydia Velazquez (D) New York, Maxine Waters (D) California and Bonnie Watson-Coleman (D), New Jersey. Thomas Massie of Kentucky was the lone Republican voting nay on the Resolution.

Representative Huffman released the following statement regarding his vote on the House resolution:

“Antisemitism is a growing problem not just on liberal college campuses as the right-wing media constantly discusses, but in many places including rural and urban communities around the country and the extreme fringes of some conservative and liberal political groups. So is Islamophobia. Unfortunately, the GOP’s House 798 ignores these realities and suggests the problem is about liberal college campuses.

“Moreover, the resolution inaccurately describes several incidents as having been ignored or condoned by colleges (e.g., Brandeis) when in fact these colleges did seriously confront the incidents. And it is silent on Islamophobia even as the Council on American Islamic Relations reports a spike in problematic incidents. The misleading characterizations and incomplete narrative in this resolution is why the progressive pro-Israel group J-St opposed it and why I voted against it, as well. Let me be clear: antisemitism has no place in America. It is a problem on many college campuses - but also in other parts of our country. The same can and should be said of Islamophobia.”