

Congressman Steve Rothman Expresses Support for the State of Israel's Response in Gaza to Escalation of Hamas' Rocket Attacks

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(Washington, DC) -- Congressman Steve Rothman issued the following statement expressing support for Israel's response in the Gaza Strip to Hamas' continued rocket assault against Israeli civilians:

"I strongly support the Jewish State of Israel's right to defend itself against the endless onslaught of thousands of rocket and mortar attacks that have been fired on innocent Israeli civilians by Hamas terrorists. In fact, since Israel's voluntary departure from the Gaza Strip in September 2005, Hamas has launched more than 6,000 of these rocket attacks on Israeli towns.

"By breaking the six-month ceasefire with hundreds more of its deadly rocket attacks, Hamas has once again demonstrated it would rather pursue an agenda of bloodshed and terror than one that could result in a peaceful two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. While I deeply regret the loss of civilian life on both sides, the Israeli government is absolutely justified to take action to defend their endangered citizens and bring an end to Hamas' terror as quickly as possible."

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