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House Republicans Condemn Unprecedented Attacks on Israel

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – House Speaker Ben Toma today released the following statement on behalf of the House Republican caucus denouncing the unprovoked and heinous attacks on Israel by the terrorist organization known as Hamas that has already resulted in thousands of deaths and numerous kidnappings:

"Hamas' actions amount to terrorism, plain and simple. There is no place for their hateful ideology in any society and their violent actions of anti-Semitism must be stopped," said Speaker Ben Toma. **"Israel has a right to live in freedom and defend their land from these barbaric terrorists. We strongly condemn the senseless acts of violence against the people of Israel and support their right to defend themselves. We stand unequivocally with our Israeli brothers and sisters and grieve with those who have lost loved ones to these unprovoked atrocities. May their memories be a blessing and may justice be swiftly delivered."**

Ben Toma is the Speaker of the Arizona House of Representatives and serves Legislative District 27, which includes areas of Glendale, Peoria, and Phoenix. Follow him on Twitter at @RepBenToma.

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