

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H. RES. 663
OFFERED BY MS. ROS-LEHTINEN OF FLORIDA**

Strike the preamble and insert the following:

Whereas in September 1972, in the midst of the Summer Olympics Games in Munich, members of Black September, a foreign terrorist organization with ties to the Palestine Liberation Organization and its Fatah faction, took hostage and then murdered eleven members of the Israeli Olympic Team, consisting of athletes, coaches, and referees;

Whereas one West German police officer was also killed in the terrorist attack;

Whereas people around the world were deeply affected by the brutal murders at the Munich Olympics and memorials to the victims have been placed around the world, including in Manchester, United Kingdom; Tel Aviv, Israel; and Munich;

Whereas the Jewish Community Center (JCC) in Rockland County, New York, has dedicated a sculpture honoring the eleven Israeli Olympians who were murdered at the 1972 Munich Olympics;

Whereas the JCC Maccabi Games has included a memorial tribute to the murdered Israeli Olympians at the Opening Ceremonies of every JCC Maccabi Games since 1995;

Whereas the International Olympic Committee has repeatedly rejected requests by family members of the murdered

Israeli Olympians to observe a moment of silence at past Olympic Games in memory of the murdered Israeli Olympians, and the International Olympic Committee recently rejected similar requests by the Government of Israel and by the family members to observe a minute of silence at the 2012 Summer Olympic Games in London; and

Whereas the 2012 Summer Olympic Games, which open July 27, 2012, will mark four decades since this act of terror took place without an appropriate remembrance at the Olympic Games of the those who lost their lives and of the gravity of that tragic event not only for Jews and Israelis, but for all humankind: Now, therefore, be it

Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the following:

That the House of Representatives—

1 (1) should observe a minute of silence to com-
2 memorate the 40th anniversary of the 1972 Munich
3 Olympics terrorist attack and remember those who
4 lost their lives;

5 (2) urges the International Olympic Committee
6 to take the opportunity afforded by the 40th anni-
7 versary of the 1972 Munich Olympics terrorist at-
8 tack to remind the world that the Olympics were es-
9 tablished to send a message of hope and peace
10 through sport and athletic competition; and

11 (3) urges the International Olympic Committee
12 to recognize with a minute of silence at every future

1 Olympics Opening Ceremony, beginning with the
2 2012 Summer Olympic Games in London, those who
3 lost their lives at the 1972 Munich Olympics for the
4 purpose of honoring their memory and repudiating
5 terrorism as antithetical to the Olympic goal of
6 peaceful and friendly competition.

