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JCRC supports economic and diplomatic pressure to stop Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons

Support for A.B. 221 urged

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA – The San Francisco-based Jewish Community Relations Council passed a resolution at its May 8th meeting calling for “all diplomatic and economic means necessary, including use of meaningful and effective sanctions, offers of incentives and positive international engagement to deter Iran’s regime from continuing its quest for nuclear weapons, and encourage peaceful development.”

The JCRC resolution states that the “prospect of Iran acquiring nuclear weapons and obtaining the ability to launch missiles against countries throughout the Middle East, and even Europe, should alarm every American.” The resolution also asserts that “under the leadership of President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, Iran has manifested increasingly threatening behavior and rhetoric toward the United States, other Western powers, Israel and the Jewish people. President Ahmadinejad has predicted the imminent destruction of the U.S. and repeatedly called for Israel to be wiped off the map. In addition, the Iranian government, demonstrating its extremist character, recently convened a Holocaust denial conference in Teheran.”

The resolution calls for action, including support for “divestment initiatives targeted at the Iranian regime (not the Iranian people) by local and state government entities, unions, universities and others.”

Our goals are to achieve a peaceful resolution of the conflict, to avert a catastrophe, and out of concern for the Iranian people, to ensure that humanitarian supplies continue to flow the as sanctions are implemented.

The resolution in its entirety can be found at

http://jcrc.org/issues/Irans_Nuclear_Weapons_Program_2007-05-08.htm

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