

Resolution in Solidarity with Gaza

Whereas the U.N. [Special Committee on Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People](#); leading international, Palestinian, and Israeli human rights organizations, including [Amnesty International](#), [Human Rights Watch](#), [Doctors Without Borders](#), [Al-Haq](#), and [B'Tselem](#); and the [International Association of Genocide Scholars](#) and prominent genocide [scholars](#) and [historians](#) have concluded that Israel is perpetrating genocide in Gaza;

Whereas U.S. military and diplomatic support enables Israeli actions, including providing Israel with \$30 billion in funding since October 7, 2023;

Whereas U.N. experts have [raised alarm](#) over the “intentional effort to comprehensively destroy the Palestinian education system, an action known as ‘scholasticide.’” This includes bombing Gaza’s 12 universities; destroying over [90 percent](#) of its schools and most archives, libraries, and museums; and killing, starving, and displacing thousands of students, faculty, and staff;

Whereas academics in Gaza have [declared](#) their refusal to allow this “continuous Nakba” to “extinguish the flame of knowledge and resilience,” and Gaza university presidents have [called for](#) “immediate international mobilization to support and protect Gaza’s higher education institutions,” stating: “We are more than buildings—we are academic communities, comprised of students, faculty, and staff, still alive and determined to carry forward our mission”;

Whereas Gaza’s nonprofit universities have established a unified [Emergency Committee](#) that has articulated concrete [priorities](#) for international support;

Be it resolved that the AHA, which supports the right of all peoples to freely teach and learn about their past, condemns Israeli scholasticide against Palestine; echoing the call of AHA members at the Association's business meeting on January 5, 2025;

Be it resolved that the AHA, in cooperation with universities in Gaza and their representative bodies, will support efforts to ensure the survival and rebuilding of Palestinian higher education by forming a committee that will pursue the objectives specified in this resolution.