SENATE RESOLUTION S23-01
SENATE MEETING February 27, 2023

TITLE: Acknowledging the lives lost in the Republic of Türkiye, and Syria following the earthquake on February 6, 2023.

WHEREAS: Expressing sincere condolences for the lives lost in the Republic of Türkiye, and the Turkish and Syrian people, following the destructive earthquake on February 6, 2023,

WHEREAS: On February 6, 2023, the Turkish cities of Adana, Adiyaman, Diyarbakir, Gaziantep, Hatay, Kahramanmaras, Kilis, Malatya, Osmaniye, and Sanliurfa, and the Syrian cities of Aleppo, Afrin, and Azaz, were destroyed by massive 7.7 and 7.6 magnitude earthquakes, injuring and taking the lives of thousands of people, and displacing the survivors,

WHEREAS: the strong aftershocks added to the damage as more than 6,000 buildings collapsed,

WHEREAS: the number of people that died has exceeded 47,000 and increasing,

WHEREAS: the number of people injured has exceeded 108,000,

WHEREAS: Turkish authorities said more than 150,000 people affected by the disasters have been moved to shelters,

WHEREAS: Turkish and international organizations, as well as volunteers have been diligently participating in rescue efforts amid harsh winter conditions,

WHEREAS: The Republic of Türkiye has declared a Level-4 emergency, calling for international aid and support for resources such as food, winter clothing, and shelter,

RESOLVED: Expresses deepest condolences to the families who have been affected by this tragedy, wishes recovery for the injured people in Türkiye and Syria,

RESOLVED: Ask Iowa State University to announce its solidarity, support and condolences to the Republic of Türkiye, and Syria,
RESOLVED: Encourage Iowa State University to support future student organization fundraisers that aim for Türkiye and Syria earthquake relief.

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