

Speaker Ryan: Statement on dedication of U.S. embassy in Jerusalem

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WASHINGTON—House Speaker Paul Ryan (R-WI) today issued the following statement:

“Today is about friendship. It is about an unwavering bond that dates back to this day in 1948—11 minutes into it, to be exact—when President Truman made the United States the first country to recognize Israel’s independence. Now, more than five decades after the reunification of Jerusalem, this holy city will be home to our embassy. Today’s dedication is far more than symbolic—it is a concrete reaffirmation of America’s commitment to the Jewish state and her people. America stands with Israel in recognizing Jerusalem as its eternal, ancestral capital—never to be divided again.”