Rep \_\_\_\_\_, I must admit, I never thought missiles would make me feel safe. But here I am, hoping that their precision brings peace instead of pandemonium. This legislation isn't about escalation; it's about insulation—protecting stability in a volatile region. Pass today for the safety of the millions of innocent civilians in the Levant.

Principally, You affirm today to harbor peace for decades. AP News reported on December 8 that Iran's "Axis of Resistance" is diminishing as several groups around the region begin falling apart. The Israel Times furthers on this just two weeks ago by reporting that the Iranian proxy groups like Hezbollah are being knocked down. The situation for Iran is not looking up right now, meaning that it is the perfect time for America to step in and put an end to the destruction caused by these proxy groups. America's superior technology and influence finally puts an end to the destruction caused by these terrorists. The main advocacy that the negation brings to the table is that this bill creates a regional arms race. But here's the issue: when the proxy groups are already significantly weakened, they cannot afford to spend resources to match the military technology of America. Rep \_\_\_\_, this means that conflict doesn't get exacerbated, it gets lulled. We can't afford to waste even a second, when each day we hesitate to make a move, a thousand people perish on the battlefields. their families Only have 3 letters to blame: U.S.A.

But lives are not the only thing at stake today.

Second, you affirm to protect and stabilize the global oil market. Reuters reports in April of 2024 that Iran is the third largest exporter of oil globally. Reuters reports in another article on December 18, 2024 that Iranian proxy groups have increasingly gotten a hold on oil. It furthers that the proxy groups evade the sanctions with government loopholes. When Iranian proxy groups are taken down, the impact goes beyond reducing global terrorism or decreasing violence in the Levant region: it also makes sure that one of the most important resources in the world continues to be traded peacefully. But why exactly does American presence in the region stabilize the oil market? The US Energy Information Administration explains to us that the Levant region is one of the most vital oil chokepoints in the world, with 20% of the world's oil passing through there. Today's legislation uniquely protects this oil, because it's the first time that the US actually targets the proxy groups that are destabilizing the oil market in the first place.

Today, the sound of the gavel for the affirmation cancels out the sound of bombs bursting, guns firing, and civilians screaming. Millions count on your ballot today for their life. Don't let them down. Pass.

## Framework in case late round:

Only thing that matters in this round is whether or not human lives are saved from the grasp of iranian proxy groups. Ultimately the affirmation takes the win:

- At the very least by passing we bring about defense systems; systems that STOP the terror inflicted by iranian proxy group.
- In the negation we have no defense systems
- The only threat the negation gives you is 'escalation'
  - But they act like US has never thwarted Iran, we have before; and in the past nothing super bad has happened.