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**From:** Fiona Abbott <fionaeabbott@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:28 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Please Support the Resolution for a Permanent Ceasefire in Gaza

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Hello,

This email is directed at my alderperson, Sabrina Madison. Please support the resolution for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza. This isn't a war of defense; it's a genocide. As a Jewish person and a human being, I cannot support this.

Thank you,

Fiona Abbott

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**From:** Maisa Abonour <mabonour@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 9:07 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Agenda 108

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In support of agenda 108  
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Kristin Ferris <kroseferris@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:22 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Cc:** Michael Ferris  
**Subject:** Ceasefire

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I support this item on the agenda: ceasefire in Gaza

108. 80848 Calling for a ceasefire in Gaza

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**From:** AYAH KENJ HALABI <akenjhalabi@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 4:59 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Support for Ceasefire Resolution in Gaza

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Dear Alders,

I am writing to express my support for the resolution advocating for a ceasefire in Gaza. Thank you for introducing this highly relevant call for action.

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**From:** Zainab H. Laidi <zhassen05@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:53 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Gaza Ceasefire

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Good Evening Madison Alders,

I am writing to thank Alder Wehelie for her support of the resolution for a ceasefire in Gaza. The ceasefire is the least we can do to save the lives of innocent civilians and to put an end to the devastating destruction of Gaza.

Thank you  
Zainab Hassen

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**From:** Emily Elaine Hyde <emilyelainehyde@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 4:41 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Support for Calling for a Ceasefire in Gaza

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Hello,

As a resident District 15 in Madison (residing at 3315 Ivy Street), I am writing in support of agenda item 108 / Calling for a ceasefire in Gaza for tonight's Common Council Meeting.

Calling for a ceasefire centers humanity and human life. We are watching a genocide happen and while it may seem like a local declaration may not make a change -- I firmly believe that centering humanity, even on a small scale is essential to creating a more just world. Additionally, particularly in the absence of action on a state or federal level, our voice matters more than ever.

Thank you for considering,  
Emily Hyde

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**From:** Shannon McK <mcneill.sr@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:56 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Killing the children is killing Palestinians future

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Support ceasefire in Gaza. The intentional targeting of children has genocidal intent. How many of us condemn US policy against indigenous people? This is the same. Our country is supposed to know better.

Shannon Kisa, UW-Madison alumni

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Nancy Leff <njleff@tds.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 9:05 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Agenda item 108, resolution for a ceasefire

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I think it is important that Madison be a city that respects diversity. I think it is important that citizens of Madison feel safe and comfortable in their community. Many powerful nations support a ceasefire. on local level we have challenges to promote respect and compassion. I feel this resolution could backfire and promote violence in our community. We want to be a place that values all religions. Please do not support this resolution. Nancy Leff Sent from my iPhone



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**From:** Hanan Loubani <theloubanichronicles@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:02 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Gaza Ceasefire Resolution

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Good evening,

I am writing to the Common Council, as a constituent of Alder Marsha Rummel in support of the Gaza Ceasefire resolution that the Common Council will vote on today, Tuesday, December 5.

The Israeli government's response to Hamas's October 7 attack, in which Hamas killed 1,200 people and kidnapped more than 200 people, has been to kill more than 15,000 Palestinians in Gaza. Over 10,000 of those killed in Gaza were women and children. Sadly, this number is certain to go up regardless of a ceasefire because it does not include bodies not yet found under the rubble. Without a ceasefire, with 2.3 million Palestinians crowded into southern Gaza and with nowhere else to go, the number of civilian deaths is certain to become much higher.

Your local Palestinian, Arab, and Muslim communities have been devastated by the number of bombs dropped on and the number of people killed in Gaza. The people in Gaza are being subjected to collective punishment, which is a violation of international law and norms. The people being killed include family members, friends, and others close to members of our community. More pointedly, Arabs, Palestinians, and Muslims are being thoroughly dehumanized throughout this process by their treatment and the words of several high level and right-wing Israeli government officials and right-wing members of the U.S. Congress who have blamed every Gazan for Hamas' attack and called for Gaza to be turned into a parking lot. This awful, inflammatory rhetoric has led to a huge spike in hateful language and even hate crimes right here in Madison, most of which is going unreported because of continued fear within our community. We have been dealing with unrelenting hate directed towards us since 9/11, and it has gotten much worse over the last several weeks. By failing to pass this resolution, which simply calls for an end to the deaths of innocent civilians, you will be perpetuating anti-Arab hate, anti-Muslim hate, and Islamophobia.

We ask that you do the right thing and stand with cities across the country like Detroit, Oakland, and Seattle, as well as 49 members of Congress, including our very own Mark Pocan, and pass this resolution calling for a ceasefire. In doing so, you will also be standing with 2/3 of Americans and over 75% of Democrats. Supporting a ceasefire also means that you stand against anti-Arab and anti-Muslim hate. It further confirms you believe in security for all Palestinians and Israelis, because common sense and history show us that peace and security will not be gained through additional killing of innocent civilians.

Best regards.

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**From:** Elizabeth Morris <elizabeth.morris2244@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:55 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Issue 80848, Agenda Item 108

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Dear Alders,

Please support the resolution calling for a ceasefire in Gaza.

Thank you,  
Elizabeth

Elizabeth Morris  
Madison resident  
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**From:** Harry Richardson <richardsonharry348@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:23 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Support Gaza Ceasefire resolution

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Dear Alders,

I hope you will support the Gaza Ceasefire resolution, item 108/Res 80848. The ongoing horror in Gaza must stop now. The loss of life of nearly sixteen thousand people and human suffering must end. The US government must use its influence to push for an immediate ceasefire and massive aid to the Palestinians must be allowed in. Further military aid to Israel by the US must end and the US government must join with international partners to attain talks between the Israelis and Palestinians for a permanent, sustainable fair peace for both parties. Please note the comment below by UN special rapporteur Francesca Albanese on the mainstream French newsite, France 24 who warned weeks ago that there is a serious risk of near genocide in Gaza.

Thank you for taking up this important issue and taking the time to read this email.

Sincerely,

Harry Richardson

456 N Few St

Madison.

The UN special rapporteur on the occupied Palestinian territories has urged UN member states to intervene in the crisis in Gaza, accusing the international community of being "paralysed" in its reaction to the tragedy. Speaking to FRANCE 24, Francesca Albanese said she stands by her earlier comments, when the death toll in Gaza was half what it is now, that there is a "serious risk of genocide". According to the Hamas-run health ministry, more than 15,890 people have been killed in Israeli air strikes on Gaza since October 7. Albanese accused Israel of aiming to destroy not just Hamas, but also Gaza itself.

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**From:** Tanya Salman <tanya.m.salman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:08 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** 80848--Ceasefire In Gaza

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Dear Madison Alders:

I come to you as a proud Madisonian. I also come to you as a proud Palestinian-American; indeed, I am one of the 6 millions Palestinians in the diaspora.

I plead for you to call for a ceasefire in Gaza.

Human rights lawyers and scholars around the world agree: this is a textbook case of genocide. And we must stop it.

With every passing day, hour, and minute, the Israeli military is making good on its promise to “open the gates of hell” on the 2 million Palestinians trapped under Israeli siege in Gaza.

The loss of life over the last few weeks has been staggering. The number of injured and displaced is beyond imaginable. We Palestinians are human beings. We are not collateral damage.

Please call for a ceasefire.

Thank you,

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Tanya Salman

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**From:** Sahil Sasidharan <architectsahils@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:03 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Urgent call for a Ceasefire in Gaza

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Dear Alder Rummel and Madison alders,

I strongly encourage you to support the Resolution 80848 Calling for a ceasefire in Gaza. As it currently stands, thousands have been killed by the Israeli bombing and invasion of Gaza, including innocent children. We must call for a ceasefire and lift the siege on Gaza. Please, I implore you to call for a ceasefire at the earliest.

Sincerely,  
Sahil Sasidharan,  
District 6,  
831 East Johnson Street  
Madison, WI

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**From:** Dania Shoukfeh <dshoukfeh24@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:57 PM  
**To:** All Alders; Slack, Kristen  
**Subject:** Support ceasefire resolution

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Dear Alder Kristin Slack,

I am writing to thank you for supporting the ceasefire resolution. This is the least we can do to stop the carpet bombing of Gaza and genocide of civilians.

Thank you for speaking up against the slaughter of more than 15,000 Palestinians including more than 6,900 CHILDREN. Supporting this resolution is not anti-Semitic. The religion of Judaism does not call for the mass genocide of Palestinians. It also does not call for the unconditional support of a racist genocidal apartheid regime. This is why many Jewish people have also spoken out against the atrocities committed by Israel and said they will not allow this violence and discrimination to continue in their name.

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**From:** Naman Siad <nsiad36@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:24 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Ceasefire Resolution

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Dear Alders of Madison,

My name is Naman Siad and I am a constituent of Nasra Wehelie, in District 7. I am emailing to express my support of the ceasefire resolution presented by the council members.

I am a Madison native and social justice has been a core of my experience here in Madison. It is with this spirit in mind that I believe our city council must join the councils and representatives across the country that have urgently called for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

Israel's indiscriminate bombing of Gaza violates countless International Human Rights Laws and Conventions. It is clear in the rules of war that civilians cannot be subjected to collective punishment and cannot be used as collateral damage.

We must send a message in support of a ceasefire and to stand up for the human rights and dignity of the Gazan people. Madison is home to a diverse community, including many Palestinian families that have been directly affected by this conflict, whether it's losing family members or losing contact with loved ones.

I would like to thank the council members who already sponsored the resolution and hope the rest join in the call.

Thank you,  
Naman Siad

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**From:** Dhool Siad <dsiad@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:01 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Ceasefire Resolution

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Hello Madison Alders,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to thank Alder Wehelie for supporting the resolution for a ceasefire in Gaza. As a Madison constituent I would like to call on our Alders to support a ceasefire to stop the endless suffering and destruction of Gaza. The death toll for citizens is rising every moment and I would like our alders to do their part

Best,  
Dhool

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**From:** LAURA STOESZ <lstoesz@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:57 PM  
**To:** All Alders  
**Subject:** Ceasefire now

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Dear Alders of the City of Madison,

I am writing in my capacity as a therapist in training at the University of Wisconsin–Madison to urge you to demand a ceasefire now. The genocide being perpetuated by Israel with US-funded weapons is unconscionable and horrific, and it is creating more trauma than my profession can hope to heal. Please hear my and my friends' pleas to end the bombing of Gaza swiftly and decisively by voting in support of the Common Council Resolution 108 supporting a ceasefire. If this message comes too late, please continue to demand ceasefire with every means available to you on behalf of your Madison constituents standing in solidarity with Gaza.

In urgency and hope,  
Laura Stoesz

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