Matthias, Isaac L

From: Widad MusicUSA <camelabooking@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 9:02 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Thank you!!

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Dear Alders,

As someone who is not a resident of Madison, I could not be a part of this, but I am so grateful to see that you pass the cease-fire resolution!

There are still good people in this world!

Thank you,

Camela
Resident of Spring Green

Sent from my iPhone

Matthias, Isaac L

From: Jacob Harris <jbharris87jb@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 11:49 PM
To: All Alders; council
Subject: Israel Resolution

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Dear City Council:

I am disgusted and dismayed by your recent resolution regarding the events in Israel.

On October 7, Hamas, an avowed terrorist organization whose charter explicitly calls for the extermination of Jews, trespassed across Israel's internationally recognized border and targeted innocent civilians for death and destruction. Hamas beheaded babies, kidnapped children, raped women, burned civilians alive, took hostages, and killed more than 1,400 people. Hamas violated an existing ceasefire with Israel, not for the purpose of fighting against Israeli soldiers - of course, Israel has not occupied any part of Gaza since 2005, so there would be no basis to attack Israel from Gaza in any manner - but to terrorize as many Jewish civilians as possible.

The City Council's reaction to these horrific acts, worse in scale than 9/11 in the U.S., was deafening silence.

It was only after Israel began to undertake a necessary and just response to the mass slaughter of innocent people in its own country that the City Council suddenly felt compelled to weigh in on events halfway across the world. The City Council's "ceasefire" prescription would allow Hamas to remain in power in Gaza, inviting them to attack Jewish civilians again and again indefinitely. The timing and content of the City Council's resolution establish a double standard in favor of terrorists who would unleash the same hell in this community if only it were not protected by distance and military might. Indeed, Hamas also killed and captured American civilians, some of whom are still being held hostage, in its October 7 rampage. The City Council expresses no concern for the fate of its fellow countrymen.

Antisemitic hate crimes have increased exponentially in the U.S. and around the world since October 7. Yet, instead of addressing the significance of these repugnant acts targeting Jews, the City Council takes the "All Lives Matter" approach, drawing a false equivalence between the well-documented rise in antisemitic incidents and hypothetical Islamophobia.

The City Council's resolution makes Jews feel unsafe and unwelcome in their own community. I urge you to withdraw it immediately.

Jacob Harris

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From: David Newby <newby4338@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 9:42 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Ceasefire Resolution

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Thanks to all of you for passing the Ceaefire Resolution!

It now seems clear that only pressure from below will push the President and Congress to act effectively to end the carnage and use international pressure and institutions to bring about a just peace and security for all.

David Newby
President Emeritus, Wisconsin AFL-CIO
6225 Mineral Point Rd, Madison, WI 53705

Matthias, Isaac L

From: Nancy Worcester <naworces@wisc.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 1:46 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: BIG thanks! Fw: Please Vote FOR a ceasefire in Gaza

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A unanimous vote for a ceasefire makes me so proud of the Madison City Council doing its good, hard work.
Thanks,
Nancy Worcester

From: Nancy Worcester <naworces@wisc.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 11:48 AM
To: allalders@cityofmadison.com <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Please Vote FOR a ceasefire in Gaza

The whole world is watching what is happening in Gaza.

YOU can make a difference. Let the world know that Madison cares about what is happening.

The Middle East issues are SO complicated. The "answers" will come from hard diplomatic work, not from more people getting killed or permanently harmed.

A CEASEFIRE IS AN URGENT FIRST STEP.

Thanks,
Nancy Worcester
249 Corry Street, Madison 53704