

From: Aamina Alizai noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:48 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire now!

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Dear Howard County Council Members,

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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From: Aboubker Elemam noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:51 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Stop the GENOCIDE

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Adnan Khan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:14 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Cease Fire

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Sincerely,

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From: Ahmad Faraz <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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Sincerely,

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From: Ahmadullah Azamy <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 4:12 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire Resolution

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Dear Howard County Council Members,

I am a registered nurse, and my wife is a physician. We are the parent of 3 children, 2 in high school and one in middle school. We are lifelong resident of Maryland.

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Ahmadullah Azamy

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From: Ahmed James noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:31 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Akdas Mumtaz noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:20 AM

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Sincerely,

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From: Ali Mustafa noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:18 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
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Sincerely,

Ali Mustafa
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From: Alia Irshad aliairshad@hotmail.com

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:59 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov; citycouncil@howardcountymd.gov; Ball, Calvin cball@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Support of CR22

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To Councilwoman Walsh, Executive Ball and members of the Howard County City Council,

I write to you as a concerned citizen, mother, and pediatrician today in support of and gratitude for your sponsorship of CR22. With a death toll of over 30,000 civilians to date, over 70% of which are women and children, the Israeli military incursion into Gaza is U.S sponsored violence and aggression the likes of which we have never seen. The intentional starvation of an entire population, destruction of homes, hospitals, churches and mosques, indiscriminate bombing of areas designated as "safe zones"- all of these actions point to the undeniable fact that this is a genocide. For over 100 days, I have watched in horror as children are unearthed from the rubble, often times in unrecognizable pieces. It pains me that my tax dollars should subsidize this crime in any way. So I lend my voice to the masses who demand a CEASEFIRE NOW. Today, I ask Howard County to join Cambridge, Chicago, San Francisco, Buffalo, Akron, and a growing number of cities who have issued ceasefire resolutions to demand an end to this violence. Please support this important resolution which is only a first step to achieving peace.

Thank you,
Dr. Alia Irshad

Suggested reading to help inform critical thinking and decision making:



From: [Altijani Hussin](#)
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire
Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 5:15:55 PM

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Sincerely,

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From: Amal Sinnokrot noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:44 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

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Sincerely,

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Respass, Charity

From: Aman Rahman <skatemetall176@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:59 PM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: Regarding CR22

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Hello Councilwoman Rigby -

My name is Aman and I am a resident of Columbia MD, part of Howard County District 3. My wife and I moved to Columbia early 2023 due to it's strong community and environment for raising children. Our first daughter was born middle of last year so Howard County holds a special significance in our lives.

As new parents, we are appalled at the blatant disregard and attack on the lives of children by Israel in their indiscriminate campaign in Gaza. According to [Human Rights Watch](#), an estimated 5,550 children have been killed since Oct 7th. This number is estimated to be much higher given a large number of children are unaccounted for due to being buried under rubbles of buildings destroyed by the IDF. I see my infant daughter in many of the images and videos coming out of Gaza. Any **one** death of a child is **one too many** no matter whether Palestinian or Israeli. Anyone with an ounce of human dignity cannot allow this to continue. Therefore I would like to request your support on Councilwoman Liz Walsh's resolution CR22 calling for a ceasefire in Gaza.

Columbia, MD and greater Howard County prides itself as a place where Americans build families. Residents flock to this county due to its great school system and family friendly programs. Not supporting this resolution would not be consistent with the values of Howard County and sends the message that Howard County does not value the lives of children. Howard County wouldn't be alone in supporting a ceasefire. A [growing number of US city councils](#) are calling for this. MD Senator [Van Hollen](#), and representatives [Trone](#), [Mfume](#) and [Raskin](#) have also called for a ceasefire. Ceasefire is not picking sides but rather stopping the violence against civilian children, women and men so there can be peace, healing and reconciliation on all sides. I pray you will make the right decision.

Thank you for your consideration

Aman

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Aman Rahman <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:28 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Requesting a ceasefire

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Sincerely,

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From: Ambreen Baig noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:02 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

Ambreen Baig

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Amro Abdulwahid <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 1:47 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Howard County Needs To Stand With Humanity: Ceasefire Now

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Sincerely,

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Respass, Charity

From: Anjum Khan <banjumi@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:13 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Re: Resolution CR22-2024

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I am constituent and I am calling to have the councilmember support the resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

On Jan 30, 2024, at 4:59 PM, Anjum Khan <banjumi@yahoo.com> wrote:

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Sent from my iPhone

From: Anum Ali noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:02 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
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Sincerely,

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From: Anum Ali <aashraf88@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:57 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please meet with us before Monday's vote

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Dear Howard County Council Members,

I trust this message finds you well. I am writing to you as a concerned member of our community to humbly request your support for the upcoming ceasefire resolution vote on Monday. The current situation in Gaza demands our attention and collective action.

I urge you to consider the pregnant mothers in Gaza who are facing dire circumstances without proper care, as well as the newborns who are unable to receive the care they desperately need. The lack of clean water is exacerbating an already challenging situation, putting countless lives at risk. The children starving because of lack of basic needs.

It's heart-wrenching to acknowledge that fathers, who are typically the pillars of support for their families, find themselves without the necessary humanitarian aid to fulfill their roles. This crisis is not just a geopolitical issue but a humanitarian one that requires our compassion and intervention.

I kindly ask for your empathy and understanding as you deliberate on this matter. The urgency of the situation cannot be overstated, and I believe that our collective efforts can make a significant impact.

In light of this, I would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you in person before Monday's vote to discuss this matter further. A face-to-face conversation could provide a deeper understanding of the gravity of the situation and the positive influence Howard County can have by supporting the ceasefire resolution.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am hopeful that, together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of those affected by this crisis.

Sincerely,

Anum Ali

From: Anum Siddiqui noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:39 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Dr Arif Mannan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:06 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Arooj Zafar-Jalaluddin noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 1:35 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Aseia Chaudhry <aseiach@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 1:18 PM
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Subject: Support Resolution CR22-2024

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Hello dear council members

I am a constituent. I am emailed to ask you all to please support resolution CR22-2024 (calling for immediate permanent ceasefire in Gaza. Please vote yes for this resolution. This is the most important current issue impacting our community in Howard county. Many of my family members have been brutally killed by Israel. They've used tanks, phosphorous gas, sniping, and starvation as a weapon. They are absolutely committing warcrimes, we should take the moral stance and call for ceasefire please. I beg you to save innocent lives.

Thank you so much

Aseia chaudhry

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Aseia chaudhry

Aseia Chaudhry
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From: Aseia Chaudhry <aseiach@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 7:00 PM
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Subject: Testimony for CR22-2024

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Hello

My name is Aseia Chaudhry. I work as a contracting officer in federal government. I am Howard county constituent. My address is 9556 Chaton Rd, Laurel, MD 20723.

I am emailing about the resolution CR22-2024, permanent ceasefire in Gaza. This is the most important current issue that is impacting our community in Howard county Maryland. Many of our community members are being killed with Israel's investigate bombing and starvation which is being used as a weapon against innocent Palestinians. This form of collective punishment is a war crime. Over 12,000 children have been killed since Oct 7, 2023. I would like you all to support ceasefire to save lives. Just like we passed a resolution to support Ukraine, please pass this resolution as well. I am hopeful that you all will stand against this genocide and crimes against humanity. Thank you so much for your time and consideration.

Aseia chaudhry
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From: Asghar Fakhri noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:47 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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From: Asia Choudhary noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:19 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Ayman Nassar <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: bayan Badarneh <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 1:44 PM
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From: Brahim Elmarji noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:21 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Gaza ceasefire resolution

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Sincerely,

Brahim Elmarji

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From: Williams, China
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2024 11:09 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Stop CR 22-2024

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From: District 4 Web Inquiry <councilmail@howardcountymd.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:21 AM
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Subject: Stop CR 22-2024

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Number 2404839800
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Subject Stop CR 22-2024

Message Councilwoman Jung, As a Howard County resident, I am writing to request that CR 22-2024 be withdrawn or rejected. War is a horrible tragedy—one that should be avoided. The People of Israel—both the Jewish Diaspora and citizens of the State of Israel—share the grief of suffering of innocent life, of Israelis, of Palestinians, and other nationalities embroiled in this conflict. Israel did not start this war, didn't want this war, and has no choice but to defend her citizens for the long term - which requires ridding the world of Hamas. Israel takes extraordinary measures to preserve the life of innocents in an incredibly difficult warzone, where Gazans are used as human shields and Gaza mosques, hospitals, and residences house Hamas terrorists and munitions. The language in CR 22-2024 ignores all of this. CR 22-2024 also ignores the innocents, including Americans, still held hostage. CR 22-2024 ignores the terrorist organizations at the root of the suffering on all sides. In doing so, it shifts blame and burden to a country that is defending freedom for all walks of life - including for over 20% of her citizens who are Arab - freedoms which terrorists strip from their citizens. By ignoring these points (Israel's right to self-defense, freeing the hostages, atrocities of Hamas before, on and since Oct. 7th) and by choosing this world conflict as the only world conflict of interest to Howard County, this is antisemitism. Even if we agreed that Howard County should make a statement on the war, which it likely should not as this sits at the Federal level... even if we wanted to make a statement... the statement should demand the surrender of the terrorists, and the safe return of the hostages, and condemn Hamas for raping, torturing, and murdering of innocents before, on and since Oct 7. Hamas surrender and the return of hostages is what will end the war immediately, and will offer a better future for all. Yet, instead, this CR-22-2024 chooses to force Israel back to a place of ongoing attack and horror for her citizens, and leave innocent Palestinians at the mercy of terrorists. Why would we want this if we also want lasting peace? As an American-Jew—and the granddaughter of a WWII/Holocaust survivors—I find CR 22-2024 a direct

attack on Jews of Howard County. While the words of the resolution appear benign, yes- we all deeply want peace - the omissions and call to action are horrifying. Of all the global conflicts, choosing to single out Israel's response to terrorism will set a standard for unacceptable behavior to come in our county. Local Jews are already experiencing the spike in antisemitism on our streets and in our schools. Please do not support this call for ceasefire which is not just against Israel, but undermines the potential future for those in Gaza who could live free from the terrorist regime, and which further alienates your local Jewish community. Please rescind or reject this resolution. Sincerely, Bryna Dash

From: Catherine Montague noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:21 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Craig <rabbiaxler@templeisaiah.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 7:09 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Walsh, Elizabeth; Ball, Calvin; Jung, Debra; Jones, Opel; Yungmann, David; Rigby, Christiana
Subject: from Rabbi Craig Axler - about CR 22-2024

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To the members of the Howard County Council and County Executive Calvin Ball,

I am writing to you today to express my deep concern and strong opposition to the Resolution (CR 22-2024) introduced by Councilmember Walsh which I believe is going to be first considered at the County Council meeting on February 5th.

I will acknowledge that I have had the opportunity to speak with Councilmember Walsh today to express my concerns today, and I believe we had a productive and civil discussion, but I would like to be able to be on the record with the full council for the reasons of my strong opposition. I also want to note that I express this concern and opposition as an individual, but also as the Senior Rabbi of Temple Isaiah, on behalf of the 700 family member units of this congregation, the vast majority of which are Howard County Residents; a congregation that has been a proud member of the interfaith community of Howard County for more than fifty years and which treasures its associations with our elected officials and the role that we are able to serve as a partner faith organization towards the betterment of our greater community. Finally, I take up this opposition as an individual who was recently honored to be appointed by County Executive Ball to the new Interfaith Council for Howard County – and I believe it is my responsibility to be among those who represent the Jewish community in that important bridge between the faith communities and civil society.

Finally, I will share that I base this opposition to CR 22-2024 also in 40 years of Israel engagement that has been focused on peace-building, on the strengthening of Arab-Israeli and Muslim-Jewish relations, and as someone who has worked tirelessly as an advocate of a Two State Solution throughout the entirety of that time. I also spent much of the first week of January returning once again to Israel, but this time on a solidarity mission to witness the effects of the Hamas terror attacks of October 7th, the ongoing devastation, grief, anxiety and suffering caused by the attacks that Hamas initiated on that day and the resultant war that has raged since then. What I saw during this visit will likely haunt me throughout my life, and I continue to process it and to share about the carnage, the devastation and the impact of that single deadliest day in the history of the State of Israel. I shared in great detail with Councilmember Walsh and am willing to make time to talk to any of you individually about the things that I witnessed and the first-hand testimony that I received.

The crux of my opposition to CR 22-2024 is that the resolution calls for a ceasefire, but does not explicitly call for the release of all of the 130+ hostages (or remains of hostages) still being held in Gaza by Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad and other associated terror groups. The ceasefire resolution also appears to be a one-sided ceasefire, which pins the blame for the devastating loss of innocent civilian life in Gaza and Israel solely on the actions of the State of Israel and the Israel Defense Forces. Further, the resolution makes no mention of the brutal events of the unprovoked attacks of October 7th, which claimed the lives of more than 1200 civilians – brutally murdered in their homes, in the fields, at a dance festival, on the road and in any place where the terrorists found them. Again, the details of these attacks have been chronicled by those who witnessed and survived, but also by the explicit body-cam images captured and disseminated by the Hamas terrorists. As someone who has seen some of the most graphic imagery that was

deliberately and joyfully distributed by Hamas, I can tell you that when the deniers will come to say that these things did not take place, the very perpetrators of these actions will have provided the incontrovertible evidence.

I also shared with Councilmember Walsh my astonishment that she has referenced several leaders of the Democratic Party who have similarly called for ceasefire's in their resolutions. They specifically called for the immediate release of all 130-plus hostages. The decision to consciously omit this from the resolution submitted to the Howard County Council can be seen as nothing else than a deliberate decision to erase the existence and legitimacy of the lives of these hostages – civilians who range in age from one year old to mid-80s. This decision alone should make anyone who cares for all of humanity carefully consider what a vote for this resolution would say about their values, commitments and ethics.

I say all of this with the simultaneous deep concern for the untold amount of suffering being experienced by the civilian population of Gaza. The civilian casualty numbers are beyond comprehension, and I call on the Israel Defense Forces to do everything possible to avoid any and every civilian casualty, even as they legitimately proceed in this war against the Hamas terrorists who have repeatedly vowed to conduct attacks worse than October 7th again and again – witness repeated public statements by Hamas officials both in the Gaza strip and speaking from their relative safety of Qatar. I also pointed out to Councilmember Walsh that I believe any Ceasefire resolution must also acknowledge the deliberate and calculated tactics and actions of Hamas that make them culpable for substantial percentages of the civilian deaths that have occurred throughout the prosecution of Israel's war on Hamas. The employment of human shields, the placement of weapons depots, rocket launching stations and command centers deliberately inside of dense civilian areas, inside and beneath hospitals, schools, UNHCR facilities and other places which are sure to result in civilian loss of life have been a hallmark of Hamas' tactics for years, but in this specific war have resulted in the most devastating of consequences. My heart breaks for the civilian population of Gaza who are unsupportive of Hamas. I pray for their liberation from this brutal terror group.

Finally, I will share that in conversations with many members of Temple Isaiah, a constant refrain that I hear is "why was/is this the work of the Howard County Council?" I happen to agree with this sentiment. As someone who (like you) cares deeply for the strength and success of our community, I know that the County Council has real work to do in assuring that justice, equity, right and blessing are the shared bounty of all in our community. Advancing this legislation does nothing to forward that mission – and I will say it has already done great harm towards the relationships within our community, causing deeper divisions between people who genuinely care for one another, and who may have deeply divergent assessments of the Israel-Hamas war. No good comes from the introduction of this deeply flawed resolution.

I urge all members with my full voice to reject this resolution and to work towards actions that will help heal the divisions that this resolution has already caused. I pledge my support and assistance in doing just that.

Submitted with great respect.

Rabbi Craig Axler
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From: Dalila Ives noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:23 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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Sincerely,
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From: Williams, China
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2024 11:08 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: As a Jew, CR 22-2024 makes me feel unwelcome in the only home I've known for 41 years

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From: Dan Goodwin <dlg82182@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:50 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict2@howardcountymd.gov;
CouncilDistrict3@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov;
CouncilDistrict5@howardcountymd.gov
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Dear Council Members,

As a Howard County resident, I am writing to request that CR 22-2024 be withdrawn or rejected.

According to the official government website, Howard County Council is "responsible for making the laws that govern the County... [and is] the zoning authority and the licensing and enforcement authority for alcoholic beverages in the County." CR 22-2024 has no basis in County governance and is a waste of taxpayer time and resources. If Liz Walsh wishes to propose legislation that impacts foreign policy, she should run for Federal office.

Regarding the merits of CR 22-2024, Liz Walsh proves herself to be woefully uninformed or anti-Semitic. There are currently innocent Israeli Jews (and Americans!) held hostage by Palestinian terrorists. In Gaza, Hamas and Islamic Jihad terrorists continue to endanger Palestinian civilians by using them as human shields, preventing their access to humanitarian corridors, and confiscating aid. Recall, it was these same terrorists that pilfered foreign assistance funds and supplies to build weapons and subterranean terrorist infrastructure. CR 22-2024 willfully ignores the two key variables that would in fact create an immediate ceasefire: surrender of the terrorists and safe return of the hostages.

War is a horrible tragedy—one that should be avoided. The People of Israel—both the Jewish Diaspora and citizens of the State of Israel—share the grief of suffering of innocent life, of Israelis, Palestinians, and other nationalities embroiled in this conflict. That said, what is the purpose of a performative local government resolution in a foreign conflict? Yes, there are many Howard County residents with family ties to this region. But, there are also many other Howard County residents with ties to other conflict regions. Why does Liz Walsh feel that this conflict is the one that merits a resolution? The Council of Foreign Relations has a useful tool to monitor global conflicts. <https://www.cfr.org/global-conflict-tracker/>

As an American-Jew—and the grandson-in-law of WWII/Holocaust survivors—I find Liz Walsh's proposed resolution a direct attack on Jews. While the words of the resolution themselves are benign, the intention behind it is not. Of all the global conflicts, Liz Walsh chooses to single out Israel's response to terrorism as her focus for a county resolution. She never expressed concern for any of the Jewish victims of rape, torture, and

murder; she never demanded Hamas cease fire. It is anti-Semitic to delegitimize Israel, demonize Israel, and apply double standards toward the only Jewish State in the world. Antizionism IS anti-Semitism.

If this resolution passes, a clear message will be sent to Howard County residents: Jews are not welcome.

Please rescind or reject this resolution.

Sincerely,

Dan Goodwin

Born, Raised, and Resident of Howard County my whole 41 years

Wilde Lake Class of 2000

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Dan Hajdo <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:32 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire Now

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From: Deeba Jafri noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
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From: Denise Taylor <denisebtaylor@gmail.com>
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To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict2@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilMail; CouncilDistrict3@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict5@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Fwd: CR22-2024

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Howard County councilwoman Liz Walsh should be ashamed of herself. Bringing in national politics to Howard County... Being Anti-Semitic in a county with a large Jewish population; and worse, wading into issues where Howard County citizen voters NEVER intended to have the Howard County Council members have an opinion on.

Neither Liz Walsh nor any other Howard County Council Elected Representative was elected to represent any Howard County Citizen on National or International issues.

Vote NO For this resolution for the following reasons:

- 1) Howard County council people DO NOT REPRESENT HOWARD COUNTY CITIZENS IN INTERNATIONAL OR NATIONAL POLITICS.
- 2) Howard County council people were never BASED ON THEIR OPINIONS ON INTERNATIONAL OR NATIONAL ISSUES.
- 3) Each person who voted for a Howard County Council Person has the ability to vote for Senators and Congressional Representatives WHO WE VOTE FOR AND KNOW THEIR POSITIONS ON NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES.
- 4) This RESOLUTION is thinly, very thinly disguised but heavy-duty and clear, and extreme, Anti-Semitism. Does the Howard County Council want to create division and hatred in our community by passing a useless, dividing, hateful and shameful resolution?
- 5) This resolution is Useless because the ONLY PURPOSE is to divide this community.
- 6) Citizens in Howard County already have representation on this issue through their elected Senators and Representatives. There is no need for the council to be involved.
- 7) There is a large Jewish, Muslim, and other ethnic population in this community. Does Liz Walsh want to anger half of the people there for no reason?
- 8) Does Liz Walsh know how this community feels about this topic? Does Liz Walsh and every other council person know WHAT their JOB IS?

Howard County Council, you must do the following:

- 1) Say NO to Liz Walsh
- 2) Say NO to Anti-Semitism
- 3) Say NO to thinking you represent the citizens of Howard County on international issues
- 4) Say NO to dividing Howard County Citizens for NO REASON
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- 6) Say NO to the belief that this will do anything positive for the community
- 7) Say NO to the stupidity of bringing this resolution to a vote in the first place
- 8) Say NO to the first resolution inserting the council in International issues
- 9) Say NO to wasting your time and out county's and citizens' time on this resolution

Denise Taylor

District 4,

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<https://apps.howardcountymd.gov/olis/LegislationDetail?legislationId=13433&legislationNumber=CR22-2024>

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Diana Nguyen <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 7:59 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Ehab Hassan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:41 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire in Gaza!

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Resolution CR22-2024

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Ellen Levin

Respass, Charity

From: Williams, China
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2024 11:15 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Resolution CR22-2024

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Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:28 AM

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Subject: Urgent

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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Fa B <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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Subject: Ceasefire Resolution

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Sincerely,

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From: Fatima Hussein noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:05 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

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From: Fatimah Ndiaye <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Friya Aamir noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
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Sincerely,

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Respass, Charity

From: Halima Amjad <hamjad1@jhmi.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:51 AM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: supporting CR22-2024

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Dear Ms. Rigby and Council Members,

I am e-mailing you as a Howard County resident to ask you to support CR22-2024. Below, I share with you the oral statements I made to the Howard County Human Rights Council weeks ago. Since then, even more individuals, including children, have died and the White House and the federal government continue to ignore the will and preferences of the majority of Americans in calling for a ceasefire in Gaza. I hope our locally elected officials will be more responsive to our needs and preferences.

"I am testifying in support of the resolution for a ceasefire in Gaza. I support the resolution as a physician who cares for vulnerable patients, as a Howard County transplant who has chosen this inclusive community, as an American Muslim who believes in the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, and as the mother of 3 kindergarteners attending Howard County schools. A ceasefire is the only road to true, lasting peace. In that spirit, I ask you to support this resolution and speak up.

The silence has been deafening. We love our childrens' colorful, vibrant, diverse classes. But the silence tells me that the lives of my beautiful brown American Muslim children, like the lives lost in Gaza, don't matter. My feelings though, are just feelings and in reality, I lead a privileged life. What matters is the actual death, destruction, and starvation of Gaza and its people, people like you and me. Gaza is about half the size of Howard County with 6x the population, now crammed into an area the size of Columbia and Ellicott City under constant bombardment. Over 24,000 people have been killed and over 60,000 injured - more than all of Ellicott City. The number of children killed in Gaza, over 10,000, is nearly all Howard County kindergarteners, 1st and 2nd graders. Even more children have lost limbs, parents, and entire families. And the infrastructure needed to survive, hospitals, homes, and grocery, all destroyed. Imagine living the nightmare of collective punishment this way, while the world silently watches. Or even worse, justifies it.

The horror has gone on too long and there are still so many lives and futures that can be saved. Both Palestinian and Israeli lives. Both Palestinian and Israeli futures. I ask Howard County to join cities like San Francisco and countries like South Africa in speaking up for a ceasefire. If we want to **communicate and live** the ideals of Howard County, silence is not an option."

Regards,

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Assistant Professor of Medicine
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Division of Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Halima Qayoom <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Halimah Bashir noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

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From: Henna <hennamahmood@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:59 AM
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Subject: Resolution CR22-2024

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Hello,

I am a Maryland constituent and I am writing to ask all council members to support the resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

Thanks,
Henna

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Henna Mahmood <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:52 AM
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Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:14 PM

To: Ball, Calvin cball@howardcountymd.gov; Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov; Jones, Opel ojones@howardcountymd.gov; Rigby, Christiana crigby@howardcountymd.gov; Jung, Debra djung@howardcountymd.gov; Yungmann, David dyungmann@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Testimony on CR22-2024 calling for a ceasefire in Gaza

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Greetings,

Thank you to Councilmember Liz Walsh for introducing CR22-2024. Your action serves as a beacon of hope about what may be possible.

As an immigrant and a person of color, witnessing the harrowing images of children in Gaza massacred by Apartheid Israel has been profoundly disturbing. It is a painful reminder of the violence that afflicts marginalized communities, drawing a parallel with the systemic injustices we confront within our own borders. The silent agony in response to such tragedies, both abroad and at home, begs the question – is there a selective empathy at play within our collective conscience?

The lack of a robust response to these atrocities is a failing that future generations will not overlook. It prompts a soul-searching query: what role did we play during these dark chapters of history? How will we answer our children when they ask what we did to confront the injustice of our times?

Why is our community not responding collectively with shock and horror? Is it because it doesn't see the humanity in those little Palestinian babies? For the same reason that it does not see the humanity in the black and brown babies at home?

Why is calling for peace considered "divisive"?

The shadow of Zionism and certain evangelical movements looms large, threatening to entrench a new era of fascism. Speaking against this requires courage, and a vote supporting the resolution can be a powerful stand against such forces. It is ironic because this resolution is simply about bringing our community to a neutral position.

My fear for my children's future grows in a society where certain narratives and sufferings are minimized or erased, echoing the historical erasure faced by Black history in our educational systems.

This is not solely about history; it is about the present and the future we are shaping. The Black Lives Matter movement echoes the cries for justice in Palestine – the universal struggle against oppression and for the recognition of humanity.

Palestine has reminded us that we are not free. If we were then we would not only be saying cease-fire, but we would be saying Israel is an Apartheid state.

Your decision on this resolution can reverberate beyond our community, influencing broader discourse and policy. It is about taking a stand that Black and Brown lives matter, that Palestinian lives matter, and that our community does not condone violence funded by our own resources.

Silence is complicity. I read a quote the other day that said “be silent when children sleep, not when they die.” Children are dying. I urge you to speak up and pass this resolution. Let us stand together on the right side of history.

Hiruy.

From: HoCo 4 A Free Palestine
To: Howard County Council Members
Date: January 31st, 2024
Re: Support for CR22-2024

This document provides a summary of the HoCo 4 A Free Palestine's position on CR22-2024.
We strongly urge members of the Howard County Council and County Executive to vote in support of this resolution.

Background

On January 25, 2024, Councilmember Liz Walsh introduced a pivotal resolution, CR22-2024, in a bold move that reflects the core values and conscience of our community. This resolution is not just a call for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza; it is a profound statement about who we are and what we stand for. Demanding a ceasefire in Gaza, is a crucial but basic first step. This resolution, calling for an end to violence and humanitarian aid, reflects our community's values and a strong stance against using taxpayer dollars to fund genocide.

Relevance to Howard County City Council

While those opposed to this resolution have claimed that a ceasefire is irrelevant to Howard County residents, this is not in fact true. There are many residents of Howard County who have lost countless family members by Israeli air strikes. One community member alone has lost 100 members of her family. Beyond the direct family losses, members of Howard County have had experiences of their freedom of speech being hindered when speaking about Palestine. In many schools across the county, students who have been vocal about Palestine have been reprimanded or unable to speak up. An environment of fear has been created and it has been successful in creating a chilling effect on free speech.

Beyond the direct effects felt by Howard County residents, there are also indirect effects that this resolution would address. For months, county residents have been calling on state senators and members of Congress to support a ceasefire, but these leaders have ignored their constituents. A county and state resolution would send a clear message to these leaders that the local and state representatives are responsive to the will of the people.

Recommendation

We urge you to stand with Senator Chris Van Hollen, MD Reps. Jamie Raskin, Kweisi Mfume, and David Trone, & the 68% of Americans who support a Ceasefire, by voting in favor of Councilmember Walsh's Ceasefire Resolution CR22-2024. This is an issue that directly impacts thousands of your Palestinian and Muslim constituents, as well as all community members who oppose threats to free speech and the endless killings of women, children, and civilian populations with our taxpayer dollars. The lack of a call for a Ceasefire has also tanked President Biden's approval rating with Democratic voters, and is an issue that many voters will be casting their votes based on up and down the ballot in future elections. Howard County needs to join the 70+ cities across the US who have already passed Ceasefire Resolutions.

Email with any questions: hoco4afreepalestine@gmail.com

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Ibrahim Khan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:59 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: I need your help

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire NOW!! Gaza lives MATTER

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To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Respass, Charity

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Hello,

I am a Howard County, MD constituent and I am requesting the council members to support the resolution CR22- 2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. Have a good day.

Your fellow human being,

Jenna Khan

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From: J M <jsm72002@gmail.com>
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Dear Council Member Jung,

It has come to my attention that a resolution for a ceasefire in Gaza has been filed in the Howard County Council. I am writing to implore you to vote AGAINST CR22-2024, the resolution that demands an unconditional ceasefire in the war between Israel and Hamas.

The resolution should only be supported if it states that the ceasefire should be contingent on the release of ALL Israeli-Jewish hostages. In addition, the resolution should state that all parties involved need to be required to engage in the ceasefire. The resolution as is fails to make these statements.

This resolution is blatantly biased and antisemitic as it displays a disregard for Jewish life. A ceasefire without the immediate release of all hostages would leave Israel with no recourse for recovering her citizens who are still in the hands of the terrorist organization, Hamas.

I have confidence that as an honorable council member, you will act in good faith and advocate for innocent Israeli-Jewish citizens in addition to the innocent victims in Gaza. In the resolution, it states: "All human life is precious, and the targeting of civilians, no matter their faith or ethnicity, is a violation of international humanitarian law." I hope this statement also applies to Jewish lives and the Jewish hostages as again the resolution fails to indicate any measures to save Israeli lives.

I am hoping that when voting on this resolution, you are considering the brutality of what Hamas did to innocent Israeli civilians. I hope you are considering the following facts:

- This war began because Hamas, a nationally recognized extremist terrorist organization (like Al-Qaeda and ISIS), the governing body of the Gaza Strip, decided to launch a surprise invasion of Israel by storming across Gaza's border into Israel on land and using motorized paragliders by air on October 7th, 2023. This attack had nothing to do with "oppression" or "resistance." It was about fulfilling what they believe is an obligation to annihilate the Jews and claim Israel as a Muslim state, as stated in their charter.
- The gunmen slaughtered 1,200 people that day. Three hundred sixty-four young adults were murdered at a peace concert. Two hundred fifty hostages were taken. To this day, there are at least 132 hostages, including a family with two babies who are still not accounted for and all who need to be released. Many of the Israeli hostages continuing to be held are young women who are being subjected to continued rape and unconscionable sexual violence. Many of the victims have been severely injured by Hamas and are in desperate need of medical attention.

- Hamas slaughtered, murdered, raped, tortured, brutalized, dismembered, kidnapped, and burned Israeli babies, children, women, and men. Again, there was no regard for children, the elderly, or disabled people.
- The violence against women was atrocious. Hamas engaged in widespread genital mutilation of women; they raped and shot women; women were shot in the crotch, vagina, and breasts; they burned women alive, inserted nails into women's organs, cut off women's breasts, and broke women's pelvis's during rapes. Many of these women were tortured in front of their kids and family members. One young woman, a teenager, who was seen being forced into a Jeep with bloody pants, had been gang raped in front of her 93-year-old grandmother, who was a holocaust survivor.

Israel is always in danger due to Hamas. Hamas' official charter states that their goal is to annihilate Jews and the West. Here are direct statements written in the Hamas charter:

"There is no solution to the Palestinian problem except by Jihad."

"For our struggle against the Jews is extremely wide-ranging and grave, so much so that it will need all the loyal efforts we can wield, to be followed by further steps and reinforced by successive battalions from the multifarious Arab and Islamic world, until the enemies are defeated and Allah's victory prevails."

" The time(16) will not come until Muslims will fight the Jews (and kill them); until the Jews hide behind rocks and trees, which will cry: O Muslim! a Jew is hiding behind me, come on and kill him! This will not apply to the Gharqad(17), which is a Jewish tree (cited by Bukhari and Muslim)(18)."

Article Twelve: "Hamas regards Nationalism (Wataniyya) as part and parcel of the religious faith. Nothing is loftier or deeper in Nationalism than waging Jihad against the enemy and confronting him when he sets foot on the land of the Muslims."

The West is considered an enemy: "The forces of Imperialism in both the Capitalist West and the Communist East support the enemy with all their might, in material and human terms, taking turns between themselves. When Islam appears, all the forces of Unbelief unite to confront it, because the Community of Unbelief is one."

Source: <https://irp.fas.org/world/para/docs/880818.htm>

Jews are often targeted as a collective group due to the misunderstanding of what it means to be a Zionist. Zionism means that one believes that Jews have the right to have an independent Jewish state. It's important to note that the Jews have always lived in Israel. Jerusalem is the holiest site in the Jewish faith, and archaeological evidence shows that Jews have been living there for approximately the past 5,000 years. The Jews have never left Israel, and we are one of the oldest ethno-religions. Christianity branched off from Judaism, and Islam branched off from Judaism and Christianity. The Jews have lived in Israel before the Christians and the Muslims.

Please also consider:

- This was an attack Hamas carefully planned for at least two years. Hamas spent billions of dollars planning the attack at the expense of their people. Even though Gaza is plagued by poverty, Hamas brings in \$450 million per year. None of this money goes to helping their people.
- Hamas knew their actions would lead to retaliation by Israel. They don't care and feel that any Muslim who dies for their mission is a martyr. Ghazi Hamad, a senior member of Hamas, stated in an interview:

"Israel is a country that has no place on our land. We must remove it because it constitutes a security, military, and political catastrophe for the Arab and Islamic nations. We are not ashamed to say this."

He also stated: *"We must teach Israel a lesson, and we will do it again and again. The Al-Aqsa Deluge [the name Hamas gave its October 7th onslaught - ed.] is just the first time, and there will be a second, a third, a fourth. Will we have to pay a price? Yes, and we are ready to pay for it. We are called a nation of martyrs, and we are proud to sacrifice martyrs."*

Source: "<https://news.yahoo.com/hamas-member-says-repeat-attacks-065643206.html>"

Please remember:

- Israel is a tiny state about the size of NJ. They are the only democracy in the Middle East. They are surrounded by countries with extremist terrorist organizations who all have the same goal of eradicating the Jews. Israel is always in danger from groups such as Hezbollah, Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ), ISIS-Sinai Province, Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), and the Houthis, as well as lone-actor attacks.
- A ceasefire was in place on October 6th, and Hamas violated that ceasefire. Negotiating with a terrorist group is very difficult. Most countries have policies of not negotiating with terrorists.
- It needs to be stated in the resolution that the ceasefire needs to be implemented by all parties. It also needs to be stated in the resolution that if Hamas breaks the ceasefire, then Israel has a right to defend itself like every other nation. For example, President Biden recently stated that our country will retaliate "at a time and in a manner our choosing" after American servicemen were killed in Jordan. Most countries would not tolerate or "go lightly" on a terrorist group that committed the kinds of atrocities like Hamas committed against innocent Israeli Jews.

Voting against this resolution will demonstrate your support of Jewish lives in addition to the lives of Palestinians. Voting against the resolution will also show your understanding that Jews are also a marginalized people and need to be protected. Jewish people are a marginalized group because of the stereotypes, misconceptions, myths, and disinformation that are spread about the Jewish people, resulting in dehumanization, discrimination, oppression, and violence. What happened on October 7th is a prime example of the dehumanization, discrimination, and violence Jews have been subjected to for centuries.

As the resolution CR22-2024 currently stands, it reflects deep-seated anti-semitism and embodies the continued dehumanization, discrimination, and hatred of Jews. This resolution ignores the value of

Israeli lives and is holding Israel to a different standard than the rest of the world by ignoring the importance of a ceasefire being contingent on the release of all hostages. Any country under the same circumstances would fiercely defend itself after such a brutal, unwarranted, and unprecedented attack in whatever way was necessary to keep its citizens safe and to have their hostages returned.

In the future, I would like to see Howard County focus on a resolution with a plan to combat radical Jihadi terrorism as it is a threat to the entire world. I would also like Howard County to focus on a resolution advocating for every woman's life to be equally precious. On October 20, the UN Women's Organization published a report about the women in Gaza and completely ignored the sexual violence Israeli women endured. Almost 100 women and young girls are still being held by Hamas.

I respectfully ask that you and your colleagues vote AGAINST CR22-2024. Thank you for seeing how this current resolution is a danger to Jewish lives.

Sincerely,
Jennifer M.
Columbia, MD

Respass, Charity

From: Williams, China
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2024 11:20 AM
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Subject CR22-2024

Message I urge you to vote against CR22-2024, which ignores the need for all Israeli hostages to be returned and should instead demand their immediate release. The measure is antisemitic in applying special treatment against Israel for fighting for its survival and ignoring the atrocities of rape, murder, torture and kidnapping that Hamas perpetrated on October 7. Demanding unconditional cease fire is demanding surrender to the rapists, murderers and kidnappers who still hold a baby, civilians and the bodies of the hostages who died in their captivity. Joel Recht

Anderson, Isaiah

From: kputhawala@gmail.com <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:39 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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As a member of this community, I believe it is imperative that we raise our voices for those suffering. This resolution is more than a political statement; it's a beacon of hope for a peaceful future. By backing this resolution, the Howard County Council can demonstrate leadership and compassion that reflects the values of our community.

I trust that you will consider this urgent plea and stand on the right side of history by supporting Councilwoman Walsh's resolution. Thank you for your time and for representing the best interests of our community.

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From: Kareem Monib <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Karmel Mahmoud noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
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Subject: Call for an Immediate, Permanent Ceasefire in Gaza

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Councilwoman Liz Walsh,

Dear Howard County Council Members,

My name is Karmel. I am a resident of Elkridge, MD. I live, work and my kids go to schools in Elkridge, Howard county. I am deeply concerned about the crisis in Gaza, where over 27,000 lives have been tragically lost. I urge your support for Councilwoman Liz Walsh's ceasefire resolution.

As a Palestinian myself, and a mother of Palestinian kids at Howard county schools. My family has been horrified by the silence over the genocide happening against our relatives and civilians in Palestine. We are afraid that such horrible crimes will reach us here and you will all be silent.

This action aligns with Maryland's values of human rights and peace. Your support will reflect our community's commitment to global humanitarian issues.

Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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Hello,

I am submitting my oral testimony in support of CR22-2024

This resolution which states:

A RESOLUTION demanding an immediate cease-fire in Gaza; calling upon the Biden administration to facilitate certain humanitarian assistance into Gaza; and urging certain elected officials to take immediate action to use their position and influence to end this humanitarian crisis,

I believe it is crucial for leadership in our County to take a stance on these issues. We must condemn the violations of international law, including the attack on Oct. 7th by Hamas and the the Israeli military response to bomb the 2.3 million Palestinian people living in Gaza.

This is not just about international affairs; it's about where we, as a County, stand when it comes to witnessing and responding to acts of violence and potential atrocities. I feel it is imperative to understand the use of our taxpayer dollars, particularly concerning their potential links to such situations. As of now the violence has claimed the lives of over 23,000 Palestinians more than 10,000 being children, over 1,200 Israelis, and more than tens of thousands wounded. When will we stand up to say enough is enough? We need an immediate permanent cease-fire, and allow humanitarian aid immediately to the Palestinian people. As I write this there thousands of civilians without clean water or food. As I write this there are parents watching their children slowly die of starvation.

I ask that the Howard County Council pass this resolution. Thank you.

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From: Khalilah Muhammad noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

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Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: lamiyya zeynalova <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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Subject: ceasefire now

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Sincerely,

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Respass, Charity

From: laurieblanche@gmail.com
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To: CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Ball, Calvin; Jung, Debra; Jones, Opel; Yungmann, David; Rigby, Christiana
Subject: CR 22-2024

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To the Howard County Council:

As a current Howard County resident, I am writing to request that CR 22-2024 be withdrawn or rejected.

War is a horrible tragedy—one that should be avoided. The People of Israel—both the Jewish Diaspora and citizens of the State of Israel—share the grief of innocent life, of Israelis, of Palestinians, and other nationalities entangled in this conflict. Israel did not start this war, and does not want this war. In fact, no one wants peace more than the Jewish people.

It should be noted loud and clear, that Israel takes extraordinary measures to preserve ALL life in an incredibly difficult war zone, where Gazans are used as human shields, and mosques, hospitals, and residences house Hamas terrorists and munitions.

The language in CR 22-2024 ignores all of this. CR 22-2024 also ignores the innocents, including Americans, still held hostage. CR 22-2024 ignores the terrorist organizations at the root of the suffering on all sides. In doing so, it shifts blame and burden to a country that is defending freedom for all walks of life - freedoms which terrorists strip from their own citizens. Councilwoman Walsh's public social media posts claim CR 22-2024 takes no sides; yet, all of this information is ignored and omitted.

Ignoring these points and choosing this world conflict as the only world conflict of interest to Howard County, is undeniably antisemitism.

Calling for Hamas to surrender and for the safe return of hostages is what will end this war.

Yet, instead, this CR-22-2024 chooses to hold Israel to a double standard, denying her right to self-defense. Not only is this anti-American, it is antisemitic. No other country in the world would be told to back down after its innocent soldiers and civilians, including babies and elderly, were raped, maimed, and burned alive. No other country in the world, in fact, is held to such a double standard.

The Council should also recognize that Hamas has denied multiple calls for a ceasefire; yet, they continue to fire barrages of rockets at Israel. Hamas also denies the release of any hostages. One must now ask themselves, why?

To NOT call for the immediate release of hostages should require a long, hard look in the mirror.

As the proud granddaughter of Holocaust survivors, I find CR 22-2024 to be a direct attack on the Jewish community. While the words of the resolution appear benign, yes- we all deeply want peace - the omissions and call to action are horrifying. Local Jews, including my family, are already experiencing the spike in antisemitism on our streets and in our schools. Please do not support this call for ceasefire which is not just against Israel, but against our entire Jewish community.

Anti-Zionism IS antisemitism.

If this resolution passes, a clear message will be sent to the residents of Howard County: Jews are not welcome.

Please rescind or reject this resolution.

Thank you,
Laurie Goodwin
Howard County Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Loay Oweis <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:35 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: CR22-2024

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Sincerely,

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From: Maarij Khan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
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To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,
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To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
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From: Maha Barazanji noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:34 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Manal Khreishi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:02 PM

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Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Respass, Charity

From: Marilyn Handwerger <mghcarepartner1@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 6:55 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB22-2024

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Dear Howard County Council Members,

I love living in Howard County and appreciate the many amenities that exist here. It is a pleasure to live among a diverse population originating from many countries and practicing many religions. So it is with a heavy heart that I write this letter to you.

I understand that CB22-2024, calling for a cease-fire in Gaza, will be introduced at the County Council meeting on February 20, 2024. The situation in Israel and Gaza is a true tragedy on both sides and will have lasting effects. However, any resolution that you pass must acknowledge that Israel has a right to exist and defend itself. Also, a cease-fire must be conditioned on the immediate release of all of the hostages taken by Hamas and Islamic Jihad. It will also be worthy to note that Hamas, by embedding itself among the residents of Gaza, does not give a damn about its own people. For surely they must have known that Israel would retaliate for the inhuman attack on its residents. Hamas does not want peace-it wants the destruction of Israel. How many of us in the United States would tolerate a country on its border, dedicated to its destruction, and continually sending rockets into our cities? Who blinked an eye after the U.S. retaliated after Pearl Harbor and 9/11? Aren't we supporting Ukraine in its fight against Russian aggression? Does the world hold Israel to a different standard than the rest of the world?

My only wish is that we can learn to live together in peace and harmony.

Thank you for hearing me out.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Handwerger

Respass, Charity

From: Williams, China
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2024 11:19 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: CR22-2024

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From: District 4 Web Inquiry <councilmail@howardcountymd.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:15 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: CR22-2024

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Subject CR22-2024

Message Council Member Jung, Good evening. What is your position on CR22-2024? The resolution ignores the role that Hamas has played in initiating this cycle of violence with the horrific attacks of October 7, the reality of its calculated actions to maximize civilian loss in Gaza. Anyone who votes in favor of the resolution is completely misguided and does not understand the facts, the terrorist organization Hamas and the violence against the Jewish People. Some of the text wreaks of ant-semitism. Walsh has gone to great lengths to poison public opinion.

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Mays Saed <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:02 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Mays Saed <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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Subject: Ceasefire in Palestine

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To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict2@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict3@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict5@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilMail
Subject: Strong Opposition

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Dear Council Members,

As a resident of your district (District #1, Liz Walsh) I implore you to withdraw CR22-2024. The Israel-Hamas war is not an issue on which Howard County should focus, nor should it be the County's business to involve itself in such a complicated and polarizing issue--issues which should appropriately be dealt with by the Federal Government.

I strongly disagree with the actions you propose for a number of reasons, but that is beside the point. The Howard County Council should absolutely not spend time with affairs that not only do not help the County, but which also further divide out County, and in a very dangerous manner as I have even personally been victim of. The Council has a prescribed set of duties; this is not one of them. By introducing this legislation, you divert attention from relevant matters.

If you introduce CR22-2024, I will be unable to vote for Liz Walsh in good conscience should she seek a subsequent term. In fact, I will feel compelled to actively voice vehement opposition to you.

Thank you for listening to the concerns of your constituents. I hope you will act in our best interest by withdrawing the bill.

Sincerely,
Michelle J Forman, M.D.

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Mimi Loay <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:40 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Mohamed Mira noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:36 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:23 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 7:36 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Gaza Ceasefire

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From: Mo Rahman <rahmanma@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:17 PM
To: CouncilMail; Jones, Opel
Subject: Support CR22

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Dear Howard County Council and Council Representative Opel Jones,

I live in Long Reach in Council District 2, and I'm represented by Councilmember Opel Jones. I am writing to ask you to support CR22 calling for a cease-fire in Gaza because this continued war is not only leading to death and destruction overseas but it is leading to hate in our own community. The number of hate crimes and hate incidents in our communities have significantly increased due to this ongoing war. This war has led and will continue to lead to increased anti-semitism and Islamaphobia in our communities right here. The youth in our community have told me that they have been called "bombers" and "terrorists" by other students and "liars" by teachers when advocating their positions on the ongoing war in the Middle East. Allowing this war to continue will only hurt this community further. Let's call for a permanent ceasefire so we can heal together.

Thank you,

Mohammed Rahman

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From: Mona Kamal <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 5:22 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire!

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Sincerely,
Monica Ennaciri

Monica Ennaciri
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Respass, Charity

From: Morey Kogul <moreykogul@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:23 PM
To: CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Ball, Calvin; Jung, Debra; Jones, Opel; Yungmann, David; Rigby, Christiana
Subject: CR 22-2024

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Dear Council and Executive Ball-

As a Howard County resident, I am writing to request that CR 22-2024 be withdrawn or rejected.

According to the official government website, Howard County Council is “responsible for making the laws that govern the County... [and is] the zoning authority and the licensing and enforcement authority for alcoholic beverages in the County.” CR 22-2024 has no basis in County governance and is a waste of taxpayer time and resources. If Liz Walsh wishes to propose legislation that impacts foreign policy, she should run for Federal office.

Regarding the merits of CR 22-2024, Liz Walsh proves herself to be woefully uninformed or anti-Semitic. There are currently innocent Israeli Jews (and Americans!) held hostage by Palestinian terrorists. In Gaza, Hamas and Islamic Jihad terrorists continue to endanger Palestinian civilians by using them as human shields, preventing their access to humanitarian corridors, and confiscating aid. Recall, it was these same terrorists that pilfered foreign assistance funds and supplies to build weapons and subterranean terrorist infrastructure. CR 22-2024 willfully ignores the two key variables that would in fact create an immediate ceasefire: surrender of the terrorists and safe return of the hostages.

War is a horrible tragedy—one that should be avoided. The People of Israel—both the Jewish Diaspora and citizens of the State of Israel—grieve the loss of innocent life, of Israelis, Palestinians, and other nationalities embroiled in this conflict. That said, what is the purpose of a performative local government resolution in a foreign conflict? Yes, there are many Howard County residents with family ties to this region. But, there are also many other Howard County residents with ties to other conflict regions. The Council of Foreign Relations has a useful tool to monitor global conflicts: you can find it [here](#). Why does Liz Walsh feel that this conflict is the one that merits a resolution?

As an American-Jew—and the son of a WWII/Holocaust survivor—I find Liz Walsh’s proposed resolution a direct attack on Jews. While the words of the resolution themselves are benign, the intention behind it is not. Of all the global conflicts, Liz Walsh chooses to single out Israel’s response to terrorism as her focus for a county resolution. She never expressed concern for any of the Jewish victims of rape, torture, and murder; she never demanded Hamas cease fire. It is anti-Semitic to delegitimize Israel, demonize Israel, and apply double standards toward the only Jewish State in the world. Anti Zionism IS anti-Semitism.

If this resolution passes, a clear message will be sent to the residents of Howard County: Jews are not welcome.

Please rescind or reject this resolution.

Sincerely,
Morey Kogul

Author of *Running Breathless, an Untold Story of WWII and The Holocaust*

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Muhammad Muneeb <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Muzna Ansari noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 2:52 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Dear Members of the Howard County Council and County Executive Calvin Ball,

My name is Muzna Ansari and I have been a Howard County Resident for the past five years. I moved to Howard County from Brooklyn, NY, in part because I believed HoCo to be a progressive and diverse county. As each day passes since October 7th, I have less conviction in that belief.

I am writing to express my strong support for Councilmember Liz Walsh's resolution, CR22-2024, which calls for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. This resolution is a critical step in reflecting the values and conscience of our community, and it highlights our collective desire for peace and an end to the humanitarian crisis. This resolution is not simply symbolic-it demonstrates our community's commitment to global human rights and the importance of taking a stand against violence and injustice, it reflects the will of the people of this county.

I am shocked that Council Members have pushed to have this resolution on Monday's legislative session agenda for "final consideration" without even allowing public testimony. This is appalling, when the Council Members are WELL AWARE that this issue matters deeply to residents of this county. We have been calling and emailing daily, requesting meetings, all to no avail.

You all as our representatives have continued to ignore us. Please respond to our countless requests for calls and emails and demonstrate to us otherwise. Please know that we are single-issue voters-- your votes on this issue will determine whether or not we vote for you in the future.

Thank you,
Muzna Ansari

Muzna Ansari
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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Nabila Sadiq <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Nagwa Farrag <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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Subject: Written Testimony for CR22-2024

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Sincerely,

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From: Naila Hussain <nailahussain3@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:44 AM
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Subject: Call for permanent ceasefire in Gaza

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Dear Councilmembers,

As your constituent I am writing to you to support the resolution CR22-2024, calling an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. This is the most important current issue impacting my community in Maryland. I hope you all will take my request into consideration.

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Naila Hussain

From: Naila Sheerin noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
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From: Nasreen Mohammed noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:01 PM

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From: Nayab Hussain noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

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To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Nazish Mithaiwala noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:07 AM

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From: Nooreen Zaidi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

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To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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Respass, Charity

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Good afternoon council members,

I am a constituent of Howard County, and I am writing to urge all of the members of the council to please vote in support of resolution CR22-2024, calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. The war crimes committed against the innocent lives in Gaza trickles down to even our wonderful community in Howard county; we must stand up for humanity.

Thank you for your time.

Kindest regards,

Nusrat Siddique, MD
Academic Hospitalist
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Baltimore, MD

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Omera Begum <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
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From: Paula Blake noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
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To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stop the genocide!

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From: Qurat Mir <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Rafia Valiulla noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 9:40 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Councilmember Liz Walsh,

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Respass, Charity

From: Rafi-uddin Shikoh <rafishikoh@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:11 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Re: resolution CR22-2024

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Dear Council members Opel, Christiana, Deb and David.

I am constituent of Howard County (8631 Enoch Prat, Ellicott City, 21043) and I am calling to have the you support the resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

While we support our Jewsih community wholeheartedly in their rights to respond to terrorism, me and my family feel strongly that the indiscriminate and incredibly disproportionate response is inhumane and not reflective of American values of protecting innocent lives including shocking disregard of children.

We should critique our friends in Israel against taking authentic actions of ethnic cleansing as evidenced by the continued expansion of settlements and their leaders stated plants kick native Palestinians out.

Please stand-up for our American values and universal human values.

Regards,

Rafiuddin

From: Rama Thaher Sawalhi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:30 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Support Ceasefire Resolution

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Councilwoman Liz Walsh,

Dear Howard County Council Members,

Hi,

I'm emailing you because I have faith in the American people. I genuinely believe and have faith in our elected officials. Just like all of the American people, our elected officials are humans with hearts and empathy. They also have brains, and they are intelligent enough to recognize injustices, human rights, violations, and war crimes. No matter who is committing these war crimes or where they are committed. The majority of the people of Maryland are united and calling for one demand and that is a permanent cease fire in Gaza to end the genocide that is committed by apartheid Israel against Palestinians in Gaza. I'm a Palestinian American, who has a big family in Gaza. A big number of my family members have been killed by the Israeli occupation forces. My 14 years old cousin , Assem , was killed by an air strike. Assem was on his way to bring water to his family from the school, which was supposed to be a safe zone and was not supposed to be bombed. The Israeli occupation forces bombed the school where Assem was filling water to bring back to his family who didn't have any water. His family was waiting for him to move to the south because they were forced to be displaced by the Israeli occupation forces. Assem is no longer with his family, but I am here today to tell his story. This story is just one story of many stories of my family members who were killed in Gaza by the Israeli occupation forces. How do you feel when your tax money were used to kill your family members? I don't think you will feel good about it There is no doubt in my mind that our elected officials are not supporting this genocide committed against Palestinians. I think our elected officials need to see that there are so many American people that are going to support them if they call for a permanent ceasefire. The majority of the people of Maryland is calling for a permanent ceasefire and urging our elected official to represent us, the people of Maryland. We are all with you and we are supporting you. Call for a permanent ceasefire in

Gaza to stop the genocide and save lives

Best wishes,

Rama

Rama Thaher Sawalhi

rama.sawalhi@gmail.com

3713 Chevy Chase Lake Dr

Chevy Chase , Maryland 20815

Respass, Charity

From: Rama Thaher-Sawalhi <rama.sawalhi@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 5:25 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Testimony for Support Resolution for Ceasefire in Gaza

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Hi,

My name is Rama , and I Support Resolution HJ0002 for Permanent Ceasefire in Gaza Now I'm emailing you because I have faith in the American people. I genuinely believe and have faith in our elected officials. Just like all of the American people, our elected officials are humans with hearts and empathy. They also have brains, and they are intelligent enough to recognize injustices, human rights, violations, and war crimes. No matter who is committing these war crimes or where they are committed. The majority of the people of Maryland are united and calling for one demand and that is a permanent cease fire in Gaza to end the genocide that is committed by apartheid Israel against Palestinians in Gaza. I'm a Palestinian American, who has a big family in Gaza. A big number of my family members have been killed by the Israeli occupation forces. My 14 years old cousin , Assem , was killed by an air strike. Assem was on his way to bring water to his family from the school, which was supposed to be a safe zone and was not supposed to be bombed. The Israeli occupation forces bombed the school where Assem was filling water to bring back to his family who didn't have any water. His family was waiting for him to move to the south because they were forced to be displayed by the Israeli occupation forces. Assem is no longer with his family, but I am here today to tell his story. This story is just one story of many stories of my family members who were killed in Gaza by the Israeli occupation forces. How do you feel when your tax money were used to kill your family members? I don't think you will feel good about it There is no doubt in my mind that our elected officials are not supporting this genocide committed against Palestinians. I think our elected officials need to see that there are so many American people that are going to support them if they call for a permanent ceasefire. The majority of the people of Maryland is calling for a permanant ceasefire and urging our elected official to represent us, the people of Maryland. We are all with you and we are supporting you. Call for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza to stop the genocide and save lives
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From: Rama Thaher Sawalhi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:31 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Rama Thaher Sawalhi

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Chevy Chase , Maryland 20815

From: Rama Thaher Sawalhi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:05 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Support ceasefire resolution

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Councilwoman Liz Walsh,

Dear Howard County Council Members,

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From: Rama Thaher Sawalhi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:59 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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As a member of this community, I believe it is imperative that we raise our voices for those suffering. This resolution is more than a political statement; it's a beacon of hope for a peaceful future. By backing this resolution, the Howard County Council can demonstrate leadership and compassion that reflects the values of our community.

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Sincerely,

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Chevy Chase , Maryland 20815

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Ranim Khalifa <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 1:37 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Ranim Khalifa

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From: Reem Azzam noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:01 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Send a Message of Humanity and Peace to Washington

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Sincerely,

Reem Azzam

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Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

From: Rehma Khan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:29 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Rema Tadros noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 7:51 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Rema Tadros

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Richard Nieporent <nieporent@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:19 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Resolution CB22-2024

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Liz Walsh,

I am writing to urge you to reconsider and withdraw resolution CB22-2024 that demands an immediate cease fire in Gaza. This resolution could not be more one sided if you tried. It is outrageous that you did not even mention the October 7th massacre that was perpetrated by Hamas. You failed to show any concern for the Israelis who were slaughtered that day in the most horrific way possible and for the Israelis who are being held hostage by Hamas. Worse, you didn't even bother to show a modicum of concern for the Americans who were killed that day and the ones who are being held hostage along with the Israelis.

The resolution basically accuses Israel of targeting civilians and of causing a humanitarian crisis in which hundreds of thousands will die if a cease-fire is not achieved immediately. In other words, you are accusing Israel of perpetrating genocide. This is an outrageous lie. It was Hamas who committed a genocidal attack on Israeli civilians, and it is Hamas who still vows to commit genocide by wiping Israel off the map: "from the river to the sea, Palestine will be free [of Jews]"! You cannot promulgate this canard. This resolution will only serve to foster anti-Semitism in Howard County.

The Howard County council members were elected to provide services for residents of Howard County. Nowhere in the Howard County charter are the council members given the responsibility for making US foreign policy. To state the obvious, that is in the purview of the President, and the US Senators and Representatives. If you feel so strongly about this issue, you should do what every other resident of Howard County can do, namely, call your representatives and let them know what your position is on this issue. You are not supposed to usurp your position on the Howard County council to give added weight to your biased personal views. It is inexcusable for you as a county council member to show such animosity towards the Jewish community.

Please reconsider and withdraw this ill-conceived resolution.

Regards,
Dr. Richard Nieporent
443-695-1111

From: [Williams, China](#)
To: [Anderson, Isaiah](#)
Subject: FW: Resolution CB22-2024
Date: Monday, February 5, 2024 11:10:50 AM

From: Richard Nieporent <nieporent@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:04 AM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Resolution CB22-2024

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Deb Jung,

I am writing to urge you to oppose resolution CB22-2024 introduced by Liz Walsh demanding an immediate cease fire in Gaza. This resolution could not be more one sided if she tried. It is outrageous that she did not even mention the October 7th massacre that was perpetrated by Hamas. She failed to show any concern for the Israelis who were slaughtered that day in the most horrific way possible and for the Israelis who are being held hostage by Hamas. Worse, she didn't even bother to show a modicum of concern for the Americans who were killed that day and the ones who are being held hostage along with the Israelis.

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I am urging you to not only defeat this resolution, but to introduce a motion to censor Liz Walsh. For Liz Walsh to ignore what happened on October 7th shows she has no humanity. That is not the kind of person who should be in a position of power in Howard County. This resolution is a direct attack on the Jewish community of Howard County. It is inexcusable for a county council member to

show such animosity towards the Jewish community. You must let her know that you will not be a party to her biased and hateful resolution.

Please let me know what you are planning to do with respect to this resolution.

Regards,
Dr. Richard Nieporent
6013 Ascending Moon Path
Clarksville, MD 21029
443-695-1111

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Rizwan Shah <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:56 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire

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Councilwoman Liz Walsh,

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Rizwan Shah
rizraf10@gmail.com
8108 Wood Point Pl
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Rownak Jahan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:34 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

Rownak Jahan

Rownak Jahan
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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Ruba Abukhdeir <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:15 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Support ceasefire in Gaza

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Sincerely,

Ruba Abukhdeir
rfak80@yahoo.com
6413 ripe apple lane
Columbia, Maryland 21044

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Sabera Husain <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:39 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: In Humanity

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Sincerely,

Sabera Husain

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From: Sadia munir noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:33 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

Sadia munir
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Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Salahudin Nimer <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 6:14 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

Salahudin Nimer
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7914 Tilghman Street,
Fulton, Maryland 20759

Anderson, Isaiah

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Sincerely,

Shofak

Sam Shofak
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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Samah Alhalawani <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 7:26 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Samer El-Kamary <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 6:25 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stop the war NOW. No more delays!

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Councilwoman Liz Walsh,

Dear Howard County Council Members,

As a resident of Howard County, I feel that as a community we need to stand up for our principles and moral values. I am deeply concerned about the crisis in Gaza, where over 27,000 people have been killed by the IDF, two-thirds of whom are women and children. This is not a war but a massacre and stands against all our principles of peace and equal rights. The massacre of 1200 Israelis on Oct 7, does not justify the revenge killing of 22-fold more people. How many more thousands have to die for us to demand a ceasefire?

Israeli journalists in Israeli media (though our media stays mostly silent) have noted the deliberate targeting of civilians, journalists and UN personnel. The IDF has targeted hospitals, mosques, churches, hospitals, ambulances and so-called safe zones. This is unethical, immoral and constitutes war crimes. However, these are the actions of another country and we should not stay silent while our government becomes complicit for unconditionally supporting them.

I strongly urge you to support for Councilwoman Liz Walsh's ceasefire resolution. This action aligns with Maryland's values of human rights and peace. Your support will reflect our community's commitment to global humanitarian issues.

Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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From: Sara Mannan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:17 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Respass, Charity

From: Sarah Ahmad Ali <sarahmad2@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:13 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: In support of CR22-2024

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Hello,

I am a constituent of Howard County and I am asking to have you support the resolution CR-22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

Me and many members of my community have been watching for over 100 days as countless innocent civilians are being killed daily and hostages remain in Israel with no plan or solution, other than annihilation of Gaza and its people. Our county must support people of peace and conscience and me and other constituents as we call for peace and support peace.

Thank you,
Sarah

From: Saud Dilber noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:57 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Sayeed Jaweed noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:21 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Please stop the Genocide in Gaza

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Councilwoman Liz Walsh,

Dear Howard County Council Members,

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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From: Shafiq Topiwala noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:38 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Shahana Aziz <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:10 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Councilwoman Liz Walsh,

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As a member of this community, I believe it is imperative that we raise our voices for those suffering. This resolution is more than a political statement; it's a beacon of hope for a peaceful future. By backing this resolution, the Howard County Council can demonstrate leadership and compassion that reflects the values of our community.

I trust that you will consider this urgent plea and stand on the right side of history by supporting Councilwoman Walsh's resolution. Thank you for your time and for representing the best interests of our community.

Sincerely,
Shahana Aziz

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From: Shahana Khan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 12:26 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Shahin Vohara <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:20 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Shahla Mannan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 5:26 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
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From: Sheeba Dar noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:34 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Ceasefire in Gaza

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

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From: Shehlla Khan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:27 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire Resolution

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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Sherif Halawa <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 7:39 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire in Gaza

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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Sheza Nasir <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:46 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Support ceasefire resolution

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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Sheza Nasir <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 6:52 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Shima Daneshpour noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:49 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Shirazeh Tabibi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:31 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Sohana Pathan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:53 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: CEASEFIRE NOW!

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,
Sohana Pathan

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Kittner, Steven <SKittner@som.umaryland.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 6:44 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: CB22-2024

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1-31-2024

RE: CB22-2024

Dear Ms. Walsh,

I live in District 1 at 9205 Waycross Way, Ellicott City.

I understand and appreciate the motivation of your resolution. There is a humanitarian crisis in Gaza. There are also hundreds of women and children being held hostage by Hamas.

The resolution fails to appreciate that Hamas is explicitly dedicated to destroying Israel. Hamas has several times more tunnel distance in Gaza than the subways system in London with entrances under hospitals and other civilian spaces. Hamas raped and killed Israeli women and took other women and children hostages. Their timing and the gruesome nature of their attack makes it clear to most observers that their purpose was to prevent a rapprochement of Arab states with Israel and a potential 2 state solution.

I would only support a resolution if it called for a ceasefire for all parties that is conditioned on the immediate release of all of the hostages taken by Hamas and Islamic Jihad and a renunciation of violence by Hamas.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven J Kittner, MD, MPH

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From: Kittner, Steven <SKittner@som.umaryland.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 6:30 PM
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Subject: CB22-2024

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To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Respass, Charity

From: Summar Atiya <summara@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:49 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CR22 Support

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Dear Howard County Council,

I am a long time resident of Howard County and I am appalled that the public do not get a chance to give testimonies before a closed considering this resolution. We, the public, are asking the County of Civility to ask for the end of human suffering in Gaza. The end to indiscriminate killing. The end to indiscriminate maiming and destruction of civilians homes and property. The end to the starvation of Gazans. We will stand of those delegates that choose humanity.

Please reconsider and allow testimony to this resolution.

Summar Atiya

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Syed Ahmad <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:26 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Tabish Mehraj <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 3:10 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: CEASEFIRE NOW !

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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Tahira Hussain <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:45 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
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Sincerely,

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From: Tamim Sookoor noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:30 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

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Sincerely,

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Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

From: Tamim Sookoor noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:57 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Call CEASEFIRE NOW!

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Sincerely,

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Anderson, Isaiah

From: Tisha Shah <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:40 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
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From: Usman Qadri noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:56 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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Usman Qadri

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From: Uzma Shafi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:49 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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Uzma Shafi

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Columbia, Maryland 21045

From: Uzma Shafi noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:05 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

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From: Wardah Athar noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:29 AM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Ceasefire Resolution

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Thank you for considering this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Wardah Athar, MD

Wardah Athar

wardah.athar@gmail.com

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Columbia, Maryland 21045

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Wasim Khan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:36 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

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Respass, Charity

From: wendy himmel <wmhimmel@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:55 PM
To: CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Ball, Calvin; Jung, Debra; Jones, Opel; Yungmann, David
Cc: Rigby, Christiana
Subject: CR 22-2024

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Dear Council and Executive Ball-

As a Howard County resident, I am writing to request that CR 22-2024 be withdrawn or rejected.

According to the official government website, Howard County Council is “responsible for making the laws that govern the County... [and is] the zoning authority and the licensing and enforcement authority for alcoholic beverages in the County.” CR 22-2024 has no basis in County governance and is a waste of taxpayer time and resources. If Liz Walsh wishes to propose legislation that impacts foreign policy, she should run for Federal office.

Regarding the merits of CR 22-2024, Liz Walsh proves herself to be woefully uninformed or anti-Semitic. There are currently innocent Israeli Jews (and Americans!) held hostage by Palestinian terrorists. In Gaza, Hamas and Islamic Jihad terrorists continue to endanger Palestinian civilians by using them as human shields, preventing their access to humanitarian corridors, and confiscating aid. Recall, it was these same terrorists that pilfered foreign assistance funds and supplies to build weapons and subterranean terrorist infrastructure. CR 22-2024 willfully ignores the two key variables that would in fact create an immediate ceasefire: surrender of the terrorists and safe return of the hostages.

War is a horrible tragedy—one that should be avoided. The People of Israel—both the Jewish Diaspora and citizens of the State of Israel—grieve the loss of innocent life, of Israelis, Palestinians, and other nationalities embroiled in this conflict. That said, what is the purpose of a performative local government resolution in a foreign conflict? Yes, there are many Howard County residents with family ties to this region. But, there are also many other Howard County residents with ties to other conflict regions. The Council of Foreign Relations has a useful tool to monitor global conflicts: you can find it [here](#). Why does Liz Walsh feel that this conflict is the one that merits a resolution?

As someone who is an American-Jew—and has relatives that are WWII/Holocaust survivors—I find Liz Walsh’s proposed resolution a direct attack on Jews. While the words of the resolution themselves are benign, the intention behind it is not. Of all the global conflicts, Liz Walsh chooses to single out Israel’s response to terrorism as her focus for a county resolution. She never expressed concern for any of the Jewish victims of rape, torture, and murder; she never demanded Hamas cease fire. It is anti-Semitic to delegitimize Israel, demonize Israel, and apply double standards toward the only Jewish State in the world. Anti Zionism IS anti-Semitism.

If this resolution passes, a clear message will be sent to the residents of Howard County: Jews are not welcome.

Please rescind or reject this resolution.

Wendy Himmel
Sent from my iPhone

Anderson, Isaiah

From: WUQAAS Munir <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 7:36 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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WUQAAS Munir

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Respass, Charity

From: Yusuf Ahmad <yusuf989@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:01 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution CR22-2024

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Hello,

I am a Maryland constituent and I am writing to ask all council members to support the resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

Thanks,
Yusuf

From: Zain Mannan noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:54 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Urgent Call for Strengthening CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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Zain Mannan

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Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Zainab Khan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 8:52 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,

Zainab Khan
zskhan121618@gmail.com
8715 Lasalle Ct
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

Anderson, Isaiah

From: Zaineb Husain <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 7:45 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire NOW

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Sincerely,

Zaineb Husain
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Woodbine, Maryland 21797

From: Zaki Kidwai noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:59 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Stand With Peace: Call For Ceasefire

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Sincerely,
Zaki Kidwai

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From: Zaneta Trent noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:22 AM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire in Gaza

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Best Regards,
Zaneta Trent

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Respass, Charity

From: Williams, China
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2024 11:09 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Ceasefire in Gaza

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From: Zaneta Trent <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 9:22 AM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Ceasefire in Gaza

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From: Zayd Khan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 10:00 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: I need your help

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Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 4:27 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
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I trust that you will consider this urgent plea and stand on the right side of history by supporting Councilwoman Walsh's resolution. Thank you for your time and for representing the best interests of our community.

Sincerely,

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I am Dr. Zoobia Chaudhry resident of Howard county. I am with the group Baltimore health care workers for Palestine.

As we witness 100+ days of genocide in Gaza, it's crucial for us as concerned Maryland residents and taxpayers to take a stand. As a physician I have been esp. concerned about the attack on hospital and healthcare workers. I have been in touch with a few physicians on the ground in Gaza. Among them is Dr. Ebrahim Matar who works as an internist working in ICU and cardiology in the Gaza Hospital. He was living in the hospital for the last 4 months not only to help with patients but also to take refuge. He has not only been posting the dire situation in the hospital but also the emotional and physical toll this conflict has taken on him. Few weeks ago, his hospital was raided by Israeli forces and he was forced to leave. Now he is a refugee on the streets and still not able to see his family because of the limited movement between north and south Gaza. He writes beautiful prose poetry and I will quote few lines from it:

I have seen all of this, oh God. I have seen people rushing to the hospital after the shelling, covered in blood, sand, and ashes. I have seen their faces, filled with shock, as if they had no idea what had just happened, as if they couldn't comprehend the magnitude of the event. I sat with someone who talked to himself, wondering, 'All these wounded and martyrs were like us an hour ago. They were with us just a while ago in life. When will it be our turn?'

I have wondered why this situation has such an impact on a lot of us. It may be because of what we identify to be. Part of our identity is who we are born as, and who we grow up to be. As a Muslim most of us here testifying have carried the pain of suffering of fellow Palestinians for as long as I was able to read or listen to the news. As a physician it hurts me to see my

fellow health care worker suffer. Now part of my identity is being an American and the pain is compounded as the US is backing Israeli military operations with our taxpayer money. And if you do not identify as any of the above then I implore you to call on your humanity to further this resolution to call for a ceasefire and allow us to act fellow like human beings, and help us call an end to this senseless violence.

Sincerely,

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