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Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2024 7:31 PM

To: Rigby, Christiana <crigby@howardcountymd.gov>; Jung, Debra <djung@howardcountymd.gov>;

Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>; Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>;

Yungmann, David <dyungmann@howardcountymd.gov>

Subject: Concerned Citizen, Ceasefire Support Request

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Councilmen & Councilwomen of Howard County,

I am a citizen of Howard County concerned about the extremism of all sides in the Israeli- Palestinian Conflict. Please make public your support, for not only the unequivocal release of all the hostages held by Hamas, but also an immediate and sustained ceasefire in Gaza due to the war crimes and genocidal actions by the Israeli right wing government , recognize Palestine's right to exist, whereas Israel's right to exist is recognized. We must maintain our humanity and must stand strong against all forms of oppression of human beings, especially when our leadership plays a hand in it. Our leaders, of various levels of influence, must speak up. Thank you.

-Jenna

From: Abram Fox <abramfox@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 11:22 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: CB22-2024 and Israeli hostages

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Dear Councilwoman Walsh,

I am a Howard County resident, and a proud member of the Howard County Jewish community. I'm reaching out in regards to CB-2024 not only because I live in Howard County but because my experience of October 7 also includes your constituents.

The past months have been a very difficult and confusing time for American Jews, particularly those with close ties to Israel. I have been shocked and appalled, first by the massacres on October 7 and then the subsequent months of violence which have been carried out by Israel in revenge and which have decimated Palestinians in their homes and communities. I mourn for the many innocent lives lost.

I understand that CB22-2024 is a resolution calling for a ceasefire in Gaza. I support calling for a ceasefire. I also support the right of Israel to exist and I ask that this resolution acknowledge that the violence has been perpetrated by both sides. Specifically, I ask that the call for a ceasefire in CB22-2024 also demands the immediate release of all hostages taken by Hamas and related forces on October 7.

The situation of hostage-taking is one that's been very personal for me, more than I expected. I myself have visited Israel, traveling in many of the areas which were attacked and spending time at kibbutzim of the type where massacres took place. That's not why it's so personal, though.

My mother was supposed to be in Israel on October 7. She had plane tickets and room reservations which she had to cancel after a planned knee surgery was rescheduled. Her best friend (an Elkridge resident, in District 1) with whom she had planned to travel still went on the trip, and *was* in Israel on October 7. Thankfully she was able to come home safely a few days later but it made for a very scary time for her friends and family, including her two sons (both Ellicott City residents, also District 1) and their families.

Again, this is a complicated time for American Jews (we contain multitudes). I am horrified each day by new reports of the death and destruction happening across Gaza and the blockading of aid, and I am also horrified by the reports which have come out over the past few months about the rape, murder, and other violence on October 7. I worry that the approximately 136 hostages who still remain in Hamas hands have been forgotten, dismissed, or even that their abduction is increasingly viewed as justified or even appropriate.

In closing, I want to emphasize: I support a ceasefire in Gaza. I also believe that, if the council of a county in the US finds it meaningful to issue a resolution supporting a ceasefire in Gaza, they should find it similarly meaningful to demand the return of Israeli hostages.

Thank you for hearing me out. This is a fraught topic, and one whose contours I am continually grappling with. It cannot be easy to consider as an elected official either, and I hope that you approach your decision on this resolution with consideration of all of your constituents and their experiences.

Sincerely,

Abram Fox

From: Alexandra Levine <arlevine85@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 10:40 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution

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Dear County Councilmen,

I am a Jewish liaison and a national faith leader. I worked in legislation since 2019 writing resolutions in regards to healthcare and foreign affairs. I would like to help the council in anyway I can write a comprehensive resolution that will not be political or controversial.

I just recently wrote three resolutions for central committees in Montgomery, Carroll, and Washington Counties supporting Israel and condemning Hamas. All three of them passed!
I also rewrote the resolution for the Baltimore county council and helped get a unanimous vote with the Montgomery county council defining the word antisemitism.

These resolutions are powerful and do resonate for years that's why it's so important they get passed with the correct language not to offend.

The majority of the Jewish Community in this nation does not want a cease fire! They feel a cease fire will allow Hamas to regroup on how they can hurt Israelis even more than they've already been hurt.

The two missions in Israel today is to annihilate the enemy once and for all and to bring all the hostages back safely.

Please work with me so we can pass something that we the people can be proud of and I can send to prime minister Netanyahu.

Thank you
Alexandra Levine
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Sent from my iPhone

From: Calvin Blinder <calvinblinder@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 6:51 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CR22-2024

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To:Howard County Council

I just became aware that the Howard County Council will be considering CR22-2024, which is calling for an immediate ceasefire in the war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza. The legislation is also asking the Biden Administration to pressure Israel to stop the war.

I am strongly opposed to this bill, both on substance and organizationally. I was not aware that the Howard County Council had a foreign policy. If so, could you share with me what that policy is? For example has the Council sent its opinion on the war between Ukraine and Russia, and how the Biden Administration has been supporting Ukraine?

With regard to the substance, the conflict between Israel and Hamas was initiated when Hamas slaughtered 1,200 Israelis, including women and children, and raped a large number of women. Hamas took 250 hostages, many of them wounded, back to Gaza, and treated them poorly, in violation of international norms on the treatment of civilian prisoners.

It was not only Hamas terrorists but many 'regular' Gazans who joined in the slaughter. Hamas deliberately embeds itself in civilian areas in Gaza to make it almost impossible for Israel to attack the terrorists without also hitting other Gazans. In fact, Hamas leaders said that they looked forward to Gazan civilians being killed and wounded so that the rest of the world would turn away from Israel as a result.

Hamas leaders have said that October 7 was only the first of many planned attacks on Israel. A ceasefire would enable Hamas to regroup and get ready for its next attack.

Therefore, I urge you to reject this bill.

I would be happy to discuss this matter further either you.

Thank you,

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From: Deborah Schoenfeld <deborah.schoenfeld@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 5:47 PM

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

Subject: Disappointed in the anti-Israel rhetoric

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In response to council member Walsh's proposed legislation, I call on the Howard County Council to instead condemn Hamas and its actions on 10/7/23. Hamas is a recognized terrorist organization that has occupied Gaza since 2007 and has been terrorizing Israel and Gazans since then. Hamas began an assault on Israel on 10/7/23 in a horrific attack that included raping, mutilating, murdering, and kidnapping Israelis and other foreign nationals.

We call on the Howard County Council to:

1. Demand Hamas release all hostages, which includes American citizens, and the complete surrender of Hamas, which will quickly end the war.
2. Condemn the rapes and mutilations of innocent civilians by both Hamas militants and Gazan civilians, and the burning alive of innocent Israeli civilians including children
3. Condemn Hamas' kidnapping of babies and children as hostages
4. Condemn Hamas' kidnapping of adult civilians as hostages
5. Condemn Hamas for starting the war and using its civilians as human shields
6. Condemn Hamas for shooting at Gazans trying to get into safe zones created to protect them by the IDF.
7. Condemn Hamas' appropriation of aid money and materials to build an underground tunnel network bigger than the London Underground, intended for terrorist activities and never used to protect Gazans.

8. Condemn Hamas for stealing humanitarian aid that has been sent into Gaza since the start of the war
9. Call for Egypt to open its border with Gaza to shelter women and children.
10. Call for all 22 Arab countries in the Middle East to shelter Gazan women and children.

I urge the Howard County Council to make this resolution in an effort to support the people of Israel and Gaza who want to live in peace and prosperity.

Deborah

From: Diane & Andy Green <diandyg@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 6:22 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Hearing on Hamas/ cease fire

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Good evening,

Thank you for considering the following as you discuss the situation in Gaza. Imagine if these things had happened to the US.

It is a terrible and difficult situation. Keep in mind that a separate democratic country was invaded, women raped, babies executed and people attending a music festival murdered. Then citizens were kidnapped and continue to be held to this day. Tunnels have been built to Penetrate the country and her borders with terror by Hamas. Hamas builds among civilians/hospitals making it very difficult.

For any type of reprieve in this terrible situation kidnapped hostages, Israel's citizens must be returned to Israel. Israel will not give up on her people being held.

Thank you for your time and consideration. It's very difficult.

Diane Green
Howard County resident

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:49 PM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Israel's survival

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From: Fern Cohen <fernlcohen@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 8:38 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Israel's survival

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I am writing in opposition to the resolution calling for a ceasefire In Gaza . I support the right of Israel to exist as a free and democratic home for the Jewish people and its other citizens. I believe that the first step must be the immediate release of all of the hostages taken by the Hamas terrorists and Islamic Jihad. Please understand that Israel is fighting for its very survival . As a Jewish American, with friends and friends in Israel , I stand with Israel and applaud President Biden for his steadfast support

Thank you ,

Fern Cohen
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From: Linda Brown <librown410s@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 10:03 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution for a Ceasefire

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Dear Council Members, to quote Golda Meir, “you cannot negotiate with someone who has come to kill you.” Another one of her quotes is, “until they love their children more than they hate us, there will not be peace.”

Members, have you read Hamas’ manifesto. It calls for the destruction of Israel. Do you know what “from the river to the sea” means. It means no Israel...period. What would happen if every Arab Country laid down every one of its weapons...nothing...Israel would not bother them. What would happen if Israel laid down every one of its weapons...no Israel...period.

Yes, civilians are dying...whose fault is that? Hamas purposely hides among civilians...they store their arms in hospitals, schools, people’s houses. They have no respect for anyone’s lives.

Unless you completely understand the history of this area and what has been going on since 1948, you have no right to weigh in on this topic. Please don’t show your ignorance by calling for a ceasefire. Thank you,

Linda Brown, 8044 White Jasmine Court, Ellicott City

Sent from my iPhone

From: Martin Stein <mstein1948@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 7:00 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Laura Salganik
Subject: Response to CB22-2024

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To Members of the Howard County Council

I have just read the proposed Howard County Council Resolution CB22-2024 demanding an immediate cease-fire in Gaza and facilitating humanitarian assistance into that area.

As a long-time member of the Howard County community, I strongly object to the one-sided appearance of the wording in the Resolution.

From my reading of the Resolution, a demand is being made to cease hostilities without any consideration of the plight of over 100 hostages still held by Hamas; without any mention of right of Israel to exist and live in peace; and without any mention of a future state in which all parties whether they are Israeli or Palestinian can coexist. Further, there is no mention of the existential threat that exists to Israel and frankly to the people of Gaza as long as Hamas continues their efforts to eliminate the State of Israel. Today, Hamas openly and continuously calls for the demise of Israel as an independent state and continually promotes the elimination of Jews around the world.

The objective underlying the resolution is certainly one that I could support. That is to say, I clearly support the idea that the killing needs to stop as soon as possible and practical. However, the notions of possible and practical need to be incorporated in any resolution approved by the Council. The cessation of hostilities must include a release of hostages, a guarantee that Israel will no longer face the aggression of Hamas, and that both Israelis and Palestinians will have the opportunity to find the path to peaceful coexistence.

Without these considerations, no demands for a cease-fire will be listened to or adhered to. My strong recommendation to the Council is to rethink the wording of the proposed Resolution and to rewrite it consistent with a balanced approach to all sides.

Thank you for your consideration.

Martin Stein
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From: Phyllis Zolotorow <cjz1984@aol.com>
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To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB22-2024

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Dear Council Members;

It has come to my attention that resolution CB22-2024 has been filed by the council for a ceasefire in Gaza. I believe such a resolution is the purview of the federal government and is not a county council issue. As there are differing views and opinions, all with some validity, it is best left in federal hands.

Such a resolution filed by the council is using the County's time and money that would be better spent on very serious and pressing County issues such as the thousands of low income at risk senior renters struggling to pay exorbitant Howard County rents with very little county attention to the rental assistance needs of this very vulnerable and quickly growing Howard County population.

According The United Way's "ALICE PROJECT" of 2016, Howard County, at that time, had over 8,000 senior residents living between poverty level and just survival level, the majority of whom are women over 65, the group most likely to be at risk of falling into poverty. Certainly during the last 6+ years that "ALICE PROJECT" statistic must have increased greatly with the very large Baby Boomer population reaching age 65 and many seniors finding themselves in financial straits and at risk of homelessness. There are no safety nets yet in place for our group and we are still waiting for the Rental Assistance issue to be addressed by the council and funded by Howard County.

Please allow the federal government to do their job of international diplomacy and concentrate on serious local issues.

Sincerely,

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From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:50 PM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Urgent regarding CB22-2024
Attachments: IMG_5024.JPEG

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From: Sara Schreibstein <schreibstein.sj@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 8:28 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Urgent regarding CB22-2024

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Dear Councilwoman Jung,

My name is Sara Schreibstein. I live an idyllic life here in District 4. Truly. My husband, Michael, my son, Raymond, and I have the perfect little townhouse in Hickory Ridge, on a wonderful street with incredible neighbors. I've only been a resident in Howard County for 5 years, but my husband's family has lived here for almost 45 years.

I want to tell you about my son, Raymond. He's 17 months old. He is named after his Zayde (grandfather), Richard Schreibstein, who was a prominent lawyer and community member in Howard County who died in 2020. Ray Ray is a goofball by definition. He has the most mischievous giggle. His favorite animal is a duck, and as of just today, he can tell you on demand that a horse says "neigh". He throws his hands in the air when you shout "touchdown" and "Shabbat Shalom." For his first birthday, he had a "Hole in One" golf-themed party. Somewhere in Gaza, Kfir Bibas, 10 months old when kidnapped, turned one last week in a dark terror tunnel, if he is still alive. I think about him every day, especially as I'm putting Ray Ray to sleep.

Until October 7th, it never even crossed my mind that people around the world, and people right here in Howard County, would celebrate if my son, Ray Ray, was taken hostage or killed. I, myself, have never faced antisemitism until after October 7th of this year, and unfortunately, my son, while oblivious thank goodness, experiences it right along with me, by people who are supposed to care for him, like his pediatrician.

It is a terrible truth that I am sharing my story with you and not your fellow councilmembers, as the antisemitism shown by some of them instills fear in me for first and foremost my son's safety in his community, as well as in the world.

There is nothing simple about the Israel-Hamas war. The proposed resolution makes it seem insultingly simple. This war was started on October 7th by the action of Hamas, a terrorist organization as defined by the United States, violating a ceasefire. Hamas, which is headquartered outside of Gaza in other countries and has no native ties to Gaza, just last week declined a two-month ceasefire proposed by Israel. There are still 132 hostages, if not more, missing in Gaza. Israel continues to provide humanitarian aide to Gaza that is intercepted by Hamas to be used for weapons and terror tunnels. The fact that civilians in Gaza have been complaining this practice in the media should signal to the world that Hamas is the cause of the "humanitarian crisis" in Gaza.

I'm a Jewish resident of District 4. Ray Ray is a Jewish resident of District 4. What happens here, and in Howard County, directly affects his safety as a Jewish child, and his sense of belonging in the community we love so much.

No resolution in response to the Israel-Hamas war should be proposed that does not also include:

1. A ceasefire for **ALL** parties that is conditioned on the immediate release of all of the hostages taken by Hamas and Islamic Jihad.
2. A condemnation of antisemitism and Jewish hate both in Howard County and in the country.
3. Mention Hamas by name as a US recognized terrorist organization that is occupying Gaza.

This war is not between the citizens of Gaza and Israelis. This war is between Hamas and the right of Jews to be safe in our world.

Thank you for taking the time to read my thoughts. As a relatively new mother, it's been all I can do to focus on my family and loving my son, and to not be paralyzed by the true existential fear we are living since October 7th.

Attached is a picture of Ray Ray dressed up like Baby Shark.

Sincerely,
Sara Schreibstein

From: A L Kaplan <alkaplanauthor@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 2:53 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution CR22-2024

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Dear Council Members,

I am writing in regards to resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

The events that took place on October 7, 2023 were shocking and horrifying. I have friends and family who were directly and indirectly affected by Hamas's attack and continue to be so. The majority of the hostages taken from Israel are still being held by Hamas, and the stories told by those who have been released are just as disturbing.

Equally upsetting is the terrible loss of life in Gaza. While I agree that an immediate ceasefire is necessary to deliver aid, the unconditional release of **all** hostages, living and deceased, must be part of the resolution. It is Hamas's initial attack and the abduction of these men, women, and children that started the present situation.

I hope you will consider adding language about the unconditional release of all hostages to your resolution. Thank you for taking your time to read this email.

Sincerely,
Amy Kaplan

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From: allison korn <allisonkorn@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 2:23 PM
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Subject: CB22-2024 Resolution on cease fire in Gaza

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Dear Members of the County Council:

Like most people I find the conflict and resulting humanitarian crisis in Gaza very troubling. I support a cease-fire but believe it needs to be conditioned on the release of all remaining Israeli hostages. Only then can Israel be expected to agree to a cease fire. I respectfully ask that the resolution be amended accordingly before you vote.

Sincerely,

Allison Korn

6550 Carlinda Avenue, Columbia

County Council of Howard County, Maryland
2024 Legislative Session Legislative Day No. 2 Resolution No. 22 -2024 Introduced by: Liz Walsh 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

From: Dan Goodwin <DLG82182@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 12:47 PM
To: CouncilMail; Ball, Calvin
Subject: Concern over Ms. Walsh's misguided resolution

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Dear Mr. Ball and council members,

I am writing to express concern over Liz Walsh's misguided resolution calling for a ceasefire in the war started on October 7th when Hamas, a terrorist organization, broke the existing ceasefire in a massacre that included raping, mutilating and burning alive innocent civilians and culminated in taking men, women, children and babies as hostages.

In the aftermath of these atrocities Hamas vowed "more October 7s, even a million more". Hamas, which has governed Gaza since 2006 has a charter calling for the elimination of Israel and the Jews.

The resulting defensive war is a sad but logical response to a terrorist organization that threatens the existence of the only democratic and multi-ethnic country in the Middle East. Hamas deliberately uses its own citizens as human shields. Gazan children are indoctrinated towards violence, terror and martyrdom in what can only be characterized as a death cult.

Hamas' constant rocket bombardment of civilians in Israel is matched in its cruelty by locating rockets and launchers in Gazan schools, hospitals, mosques and private homes. Hamas has appropriated aid money intended for its people to build a network of terror tunnels bigger than the London Underground. Sadly these tunnels are used to protect the terrorists rather than the Gazan people. Billions of dollars of aid money have made Hamas' leaders billionaires, and most live in luxury in Qatar and Turkey.

Today's newspapers report that Gazans are risking their lives by demonstrating against Hamas, calling for the terrorists to release the hostages and surrender so this unconscionable war will end. Gazans are aware of the measures the Israel Defense Forces have taken to avoid harming them: hundreds of thousands of flyers and phone calls to Gazans announcing the buildings to vacate before they are bombed; safe zones to get Gazans out of harm's way, and continued humanitarian aid, even though most of it has been and continues to be appropriated by the terrorists.

Every decent human being must call for an end to war but this call must be directed to its perpetrators- the Hamas terrorists:

- to release the hostages immediately
- for Hamas to surrender
- for Hamas to disarm

Liz Walsh's ceasefire resolution calls for the continuation of inhumane governance of Gazans by Hamas, gives time for Hamas to re-arm and make good on its pledge for a million more October 7s.

Liz Walsh virtue signals humanitarian concerns but in reality shows her support for an Iranian led and funded terror machine with both anti-Israel and anti-U.S. goals. This is not progressive- it is the same ideology that killed Mahsa Amini in Iran and has killed far too many innocent people in Israel, Iran and in Gaza.

We are happy to make available to the council videos taken by Hamas of the October 7th massacre and videos taken by Gazans of Hamas shooting Gazans as they desperately try to reach the safe zones created by the Israel Defense Forces. This may counter the propaganda Liz Walsh relies on for misguided acts, such as this resolution.

Until yesterday Liz Walsh did not allow comments on her public Howard County page, leaving only comments favorable to Hamas and demonizing the IDF, which follows a code of ethics, even in war, and which, for the record, has never started a war.

Finally, I question why Liz Walsh seeks to involve Howard County in an international affair in which she is neither expert nor open-minded. If it is to pile-on to threats made to Jewish people in Howard County then she has succeeded.

I leave you with this last, most important fact:
If Hamas lays down its arms tomorrow there will be peace
If Israel lays down its arms tomorrow there will be no Israel

Liz Walsh should ask herself how one more undemocratic, anti-West war mongering country in place of Israel promotes peace.

One of our board members reached out to her after October 7th offering to provide factual information to counter the antisemitic comments on her public page. She never replied. If she plans to continue in public service she needs to educate herself. We are happy to assist in this regard.

Daniel L Goodwin

Born and Raised in Howard County - Resident of Howard County for 41 years

Class of Wilde Lake 2000

From: David Albert <david@dalbert.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 9:42 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution CB22-2024

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Dear Council Member Jung,

I am a constituent and an ardent supporter. I am writing to implore you to vote AGAINST CB22-2024: the resolution that demands an unconditional cease-fire in the war between Israel and Hamas. Such a demand would leave a genocidal Hamas in power and Israel with no recourse for recovering her citizens taken hostage.

Please consider:

- Today is Holocaust Remembrance Day; Hamas is an explicitly genocidal terrorist organization; they seek the death of all Jews. On October 7th, Hamas rampaged through southern Israel, raping and murdering Jews of all ages; they have vowed to do so again. Leaving Hamas in power makes a mockery of the commitment: "never again".
- A cease fire was in place October 6th that Hamas violated in the most horrendous ways. A new cease-fire would serve no purpose but to allow Hamas to re-arm, re-group, and attack again. This is not just my opinion, it is the opinion of the current and prior US Secretaries of State.
- CB22-2024 is remarkable in its failure to even mention the Israeli hostages: civilians kidnapped, raped, murdered, and held as human shields. As such, the resolution shows a callous disregard for the lives of Jews while seeking to protect those who would slaughter them.
- International politics and US foreign policy are (far) outside the purview of the County Council. The Council has no authority in such matters and wading into such deeply divisive waters serves no purpose but to stoke hatred and division within HoCo. If HoCo passes this resolution, will it next be passing resolutions regarding the Kurds? Uighurs? Boko Haram? Yemen? Iran? Syria? China? Or will the Council only entertain resolutions against Jews?

My family is diverse, with Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Christian, and Buddhist members. We moved to Howard County in large part because it celebrates diversity; we love the notion that "Hate Has No Place" in HoCo. Tragically, this resolution is informed by and embodies hatred of Jews: it denies Jews the basic right of self-defense and empowers those who seek their genocide. Demanding a cease-fire that leaves Hamas in power and kidnapped Jewish civilians in Hamas dungeons makes no sense except in the context of deep-seated antisemitism.

I respectfully ask that you and your colleagues vote against this misguided and bigoted resolution.

Sincerely,
David Albert
Columbia, MD

From: Ivan Freedman <ivanfreedman@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 5:04 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Anti-Semitism in Howard County and Israel

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Dear Council,

I am constantly subjected to anti-Semitism, both subtle and not so subtle. It is for this reason and many others that we must ensure Israel's right to exist and defend itself. Israel remains the only Jewish state in the world.

I feel marginalized in Howard County and many other places I go to because of my faith. Israel is my place of refuge if the situation in the United States becomes untenable for me.

Please give thoughtful consideration to any resolutions effecting the Jewish community in Howard County and around the world. We do not wish to be victims once again.

Thank you for your time,

Ivan Freedman

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:49 PM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: CR22-2024

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From: Jay Lustbader <jmlustbader@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 2:35 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: CR22-2024

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Dear Council Member Jung,

As a constituent in District 4, I urge you in the strongest possible terms to oppose CR22-2024. This resolution is misguided in so many ways that it is difficult to enumerate all of them.

The most egregious portion of this resolution is that it fails to mention the more than 100 innocent Israeli men, women, and children who have been held hostage by the Hamas terrorists for nearly 4 months. To repeat, young children have been kidnapped and are still being held as hostages.

In addition, there is no recognition in this resolution of what precipitated the current conflict—specifically the unprovoked terrorist onslaught on innocent civilians on October 7, which resulted in the deaths of 1200 women, men, children, and little babies. In addition, as has been well documented, the terrorists engaged in indescribable wanton sexual violence against women and girls, the brutality of which is unprecedented. This, too, is omitted from CR22-2024.

The resolution implies that civilians are being deliberately targeted, in violation of international law. In fact, the IDF has gone to extraordinary lengths to avoid civilian casualties, including giving warnings before an attack, opening corridors away from the fighting, and using precision weapons. Unfortunately, Hamas uses the people of Gaza as human shields, placing their armaments and terrorists in schools, mosques, and residential areas. THIS is the actual war crime.

The resolution also cites the figure of 25,000 deaths since fighting began. This number has been provided by Hamas itself, without any independent verification. For what reason should we believe Hamas propaganda?

The naive call for a ceasefire will result in only one thing—time for Hamas to regroup and rearm, so that they can again pursue their clearly stated goal of the destruction of the State of Israel and the killing of as many Jews as possible.

For all of these reasons, I implore you to oppose Resolution CR22-2024.

Sincerely,

Jay M. Lustbader, MD
10687 Quarterstaff Road

Columbia, MD 21044

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From: Linda Brown <librown@umbc.edu>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 3:42 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution about Gaza

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Did you pass a resolution condemning Russia for invading Ukraine? If no, then do you only pass resolutions condemning the Jewish State?

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From: michael <bionlaw@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 1:05 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Michael David
Subject: CB22-2024

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Dear Howard County Council Members,

Thank you for considering my views on the Resolution No. 22-2024, now pending for consideration by our county's council. I urge you not to pass the resolution.

There are good reasons why U.S. is supportive of Israel's fight for its existence. U.S. and Israel have been close allies since Israel's inception. US sees in Israel a democratic nation, pulling itself by its bootstraps, despite relentless attack. Jews were murdered in repeated pogroms by Arab Palestinians, since at least 1920. Leading Palestinian Arabs had supported the Nazis, seeing an opportunity to cleanse Arab lands of Jews. This continues today, and Hamas' actions are a leading example. US actions re Gaza war are proper, moral and in US's self-interest.

Hamas is acting with bestiality. On October 7, 2023, Israeli and civilians of other countries, including USA citizens, were raped, kidnapped and killed. Babies and old people were killed and kidnapped. Hamas planned and indulged in bestiality of inhumane proportions, committing atrocities at close range, person to person. Hamas embedded itself in Gaza's civilian infrastructure and continues to use both Israeli hostages and Palestinian civilians as a shield. Hamas has fired rockets into Israel before and after October 7, not targeting military assets, but just to kill Jews. My 5 years old granddaughter had to dive into ditches 3 times, to escape missile attacks. Hamas showed its determination to eliminate Israel and to kill Jews before October 7, and it asserts it will continue to see the killing of Jews as its mission.

Israel is fighting back. It must do so, it must protect itself. War is always horrendous, there are always unintended casualties. However, there is no evidence of planned targeting of civilians by the Israel Defense Forces. Hamas is sheltering in tunnels. Taking these tunnels out causes destruction. But there are no better choices, if Hamas is to go.

Resolution No. 22-2024, if approved, would do harm. Resolution 22-2024 is not asking anyone with influence on Hamas to release the Israeli and Western hostages. Why? A cease-fire would not release the hostages. A cease-fire would allow Hamas to recover and continue its bullying rule over Palestinians in Gaza and to target civilians in Israel. A ceasefire would not dissuade Iran from promoting anti-Western actions.

The Gaza war is tearing at our American society. Neo-Nazis are allying themselves with pro-Palestinian factions, an opportunity to develop an ally for Neo-Nazis antisemitism. Xenophobia and especially antisemitism are on the rise. The Gaza war is complex. US already asks Israel to show restraint, when possible. We need to hold back from compounding the difficult situation. Do not pass Resolution No. 22-2024.

Michael David
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From: Michael Binder <binderclan@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 8:50 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: The obvious sham CB22-2024

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No ceasefire.

Let Hamas, another Iranian proxy who started the Oct 7 2023 murderous war against 1200+ Israeli citizens, and preceded it with a decade of 20k+ rockets, be fully defeated in the way Israel wants and deserves without continued worldwide strings and condemnations.

CB22-2024 is an obvious sham, in pro Palestinian guise, another condemnation.

Stand up with Israel !!

Mike Binder
Columbia, MD 21045

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:56 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Reject CR22-2024

From: Miriam Laufer <miriamelauffer@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 9:37 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Reject CR22-2024

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Dear Ms. Jung,

I am a resident of Columbia, in Council District 4, where I have lived and worked for most of my adult life. I have been proud to be part of this ethnically, racially, and religiously diverse community. Therefore, I was hurt and frightened to learn that the County Council of Howard County is introducing a resolution to demand a cease-fire in Gaza, a place that is thousands of miles away and far outside the county's jurisdiction. While this happens to be a place where people I love are desperately fighting to bring back human beings who are enduring terrible suffering, and also a place where human beings are generally enduring terrible suffering, this is not the business of Howard County.

When I see a resolution like this from Howard County, and I cannot find any other resolutions from Howard County from any point in time that relate to international situations or demand cease-fires in any of the other dozens of conflicts occurring worldwide, I am forced to conclude that Howard County is using this resolution to send a message to its Jewish citizens, like me, that we are not welcome here.

This proposed resolution will have no bearing internationally, but it will make me feel unwelcome in my home. It will make me more scared every time I go to synagogue, which has had to employ extra security, and make me wary of disclosing my ethnicity and religion in public, in my hometown.

I implore you not to support this legislation, which is not appropriate to the scope of the County Council, or at a minimum, to support an amendment that would demand a ceasefire for all parties and a return of the hostages taken by Hamas and the Islamic Jihad.

Thank you,

Miriam Laufer

From: Mohammad Abukhdeir <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 8:08 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,

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

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. The introduction of this resolution is a commendable act, demonstrating our community's commitment to global human rights and the importance of taking a stand against violence and injustice.

However, while CR22-2024 is a significant step forward, I believe it is imperative for the council to strengthen this resolution further. I urge you to consider officially recognizing Israel as an Apartheid State within the resolution. This recognition is crucial in accurately reflecting the systemic injustices and human rights violations occurring in the region. Additionally, adopting a policy of Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) against Israel will align our county with a global movement that seeks to apply economic pressure to promote human rights and justice.

Lastly, I call upon the council to advocate for the immediate cessation of all political, diplomatic, and military support for Israel. Our community should not be complicit in the perpetuation of these conflicts. Strengthening CR22-2024 to include these aspects will not only demonstrate our county's dedication to justice and peace but also set a precedent for other communities to follow. Thank you for your attention to this critical issue, and I earnestly hope for your support in making CR22-2024 a robust and impactful resolution.

The longer you deny the people of Gaza their humanity by refusing to call for a ceasefire, the more you show your local Muslim, Arab, and Palestinian communities how little their lives matter.

Mohammad Abukhdeir

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Columbia, Maryland 21044

From: prsilvergate@verizon.net <prsilvergate@verizon.net>

Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 12:33 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Gaza Cease Fire Resolution

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Dear Ms. Walsh,

I hope that you will vote against the Gaza Cease Fire Resolution.

I don't understand why the Howard County Council is considering foreign policy matters. It seems to me that we have a U.S. Congress to do just that. One would hope that there would be local matters to preoccupy the council's time; things that our Congress would not worry about.

Other than government philosophy, I would oppose a Gaza ceasefire in any case. Israel is responding to a massacre of 1200 of it's citizens in the best manner as it knows how, commanded by its democratically elected government. If a similar per capita ratio was applied to the US population, 40,000 of our citizens would have been murdered. You can only imagine how our government would have responded to such an event. To give you an idea, on 9/11, 3000 of our citizens were murdered. Our wars in Afghanistan and Iraq taken in response killed a total of 430,000 civilians. To fulminate about 26,000 deaths in Gaza, when Israel notes 10,000 of those deaths have been Hamas terrorists, is the height of hypocrisy.

Israel has vowed to destroy Hamas. Every American should support them in this effort. Their fight is our fight. Not to do so will embolden future Bin Ladens to make similar strikes on our citizens. Yes, in Howard County as well.

Sincerely,
Peter Silvergate
Betty Silvergate
Robert Silvergate
Lauren Silvergate

From: Madonna, Richard G. <rmadonna@caltech.edu>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 11:00 AM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: Proposed HCC Resolution CB22-2024

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Dear Ms. Jung ,

I have read the proposed resolution CB22-2024 and strongly object to Howard County endorsing the resolution and follow on actions embodied therein. While the mounting civilian casualties in Gaza is alarming, it is important to remember that Hamas instigated the on-going military campaign which triggered the humanitarian crisis in Gaza, with their attack on peaceful Israeli civilians (7 October 2023) resulting in over 1,200 deaths that included women and children, numerous rapes of women, and the taking of hostages. While some of the hostages have been reunited with their families, there are over a hundred still presumably in captivity and several that are known to have died in Hamas' hands. To be clear, the action by Hamas, the governing body of Gaza for over 20 years (CIA World Factbook 2024), was nothing less than an act of war by a state on a neighboring nation state. Hamas chose to hide its military infrastructure amongst the civilian population, and as we have come to learn, underneath key civilian infrastructure such as schools and hospitals, to use the civilian population as human shields against military reprisals from Israel.

Israel retaliated as any nation would do when attacked. I remind you of our response to the 911 attacks carried out by the Taliban. But because the Hamas military personnel and infrastructure are co-located with civilian habitation, the civilian casualties in Gaza are high. Israel has routinely given advanced warning to civilians in large cities, towns and settlements that combat operations will be occurring in their region in a matter of days to give the civilians in an attempt to minimize civilian casualties. Israel did agree to pause military operations from 24 – 30 November 2023 to allow humanitarian aid into Gaza and has expressed willingness to do so again. But a full cease fire only benefits Hamas as that would provide them time to rebuild their military for a future attack. Even the World Court did not find Israel guilty of committing genocide, nor did the Court mandate or even recommend a full cease fire. The suffering being endured by the Gaza civilian population is undeniable, and even heart wrenching. Yet it is the making of their government's (Hamas) actions.

The Council members may feel for the civilians in Gaza, but international affairs are not the business of the Council. If it is, can you please refer me to any resolutions passed regarding the deliberate bombing and shelling of civilian population by Russia in its on-going war with Ukraine? Howard County citizens who feel strongly about this conflict are always free to express their opinion to the Maryland Congressional Delegation. Foreign affairs are in the purview of those elected to the Congress and this is where appeals such as CB22-2024 should be sent. The Council should not entertain this proposed resolution.

Thank you for your time,

Richard G. Madonna, Ph.D.

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:56 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Resolution: ceasefire in Gaza

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From: Scott/Jessica Cade <sandjcade4@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 5:44 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Resolution: ceasefire in Gaza

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Ms. Jung-

We live in Council district 4 in the River's Edge neighborhood.

We are writing in regards to resolution CB22-2024. It NEEDS to call for a ceasefire for ALL parties and must be conditional on the IMMEDIATE RELEASE of all of the hostages taken by Hamas and Islamic Jihad. Without the hostages being released, the ceasefire only rewards the terrorists.

Thank you for your public service.

Jessica Tropp Cade

Scott E. Cade

From: Tudy Adler <tadler25@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 7:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CR22-2024 VOTE NO

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Dear Council Members,

I am writing to let you know how distasteful I find this bill. For a few reasons.

1. The Council is supposed to represent the citizens in regard to the issues under local purview. Local finances, land use, schools, safety and so much more. It is not an easy job, and you have my respect for your devotion to the many issues.

The Israeli/Hamas issue is not an issue for the council to weigh into.

2. I am not sure if you are aware, and I mean this in a truly respectful way, that the county is reaching a powder keg moment. This very conflict so far away has become a lightning rod through the school system as well. The walk outs that began early on and have focused primarily as pro-Palestinian, or Cease Fire, etc. have enraged the Jewish community. This is another area that children should not be active in. Most do not know the history of this conflict.

They should be in school and focused on curricular activities. **The activism on several topics within our pre-K through 12 public schools is very disturbing. It is damaging the integrity of the system, making it a whirlwind of topics other than core education.** Adding nothing to academics and dividing our kids. This is **very** alarming to parents right now. CR22-2024 in addition to the fights for budget priorities, are making things way too emotional.

I urge you to vote against this and remind your fellow council member that the mission is to represent all those in your respective districts on local matters.

Respectfully,
Tudy Adler
11940 Hall Shop Road
Clarksville, Md 21029

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:55 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Resolution CR22-2024

From: Andrew & Cindy Newman <newman6316@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 7:58 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Resolution CR22-2024

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Council Member Jung,

I would like to register my strong opposition to CR22-2024 demanding an immediate cease-fire in Gaza. There has been much said and written about this topic. I will only add that in my view adoption of this resolution would send the messages that (1) terrorists can invade, murder, rape, and commit all manner of unspeakable atrocities with impunity; (2) Israel is singled out among nations as not having the right to self-defense; and (3) the County Council does not support the Jewish community in Howard County.

Andrew Newman
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From: Anum Ali <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 9:33 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,

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

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I also urge the inclusion of a demand in CR22-2024 for the immediate release of the thousands of Palestinians unjustly detained by Apartheid Israel, reaffirming our commitment to human rights and international law.

Lastly, I call upon the council to advocate for the immediate cessation of all political, diplomatic, and military support for Israel. Our community should not be complicit in the perpetuation of these conflicts. Strengthening CR22-2024 to include these aspects will not only demonstrate our county's dedication to justice and peace but also set a precedent for

other communities to follow. Thank you for your attention to this critical issue, and I earnestly hope for your support in making CR22-2024 a robust and impactful resolution.

Anum Ali

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Ellicott city, Maryland 21042

From: barbkrap <barbkrap@verizon.net>

Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 6:29 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

Cc: Jung, Debra <djung@howardcountymd.gov>; Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>; jfrankel@jewishhowardcounty.org; Yungmann, David <dyungmann@howardcountymd.gov>; Rigby, Christiana <crigby@howardcountymd.gov>

Subject: CR22-2024

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Dear Liz,

Howard County schools are cutting almost 350 positions due to poor fiscal management over past years for which the Council funded. The Council fired a good auditor based on a misguided vendetta. The County Executive re-hired his sister-in-law as Deputy Director of IT without a degree or 7 years of experience as required in the job posting (and after leaving her previous county position due to willful violations of the Public Information Act). You have a fractured County Council that once again can't get much done for the citizens of the County. And you waste your time on a bill that will have absolutely no impact at the federal level with so much wrong in your own County and Council.

To top it off, you made a previous social media post about the war in Gaza that you turned comments off. Keep in mind that Governor Hogan lost a suit by the ACLU which determined that he (and elected officials by implication) had to permit all commentary on his FB page. And then you post a sorry excuse for an apology for that original post with comments turned off once again.

Focus on Howard County and stay in your lane.

I am not Jewish, but I, like many Democrats, support Israel's right to defend themselves after a horrific terrorist attack. You have lost my vote.

Barb Krupiarz

From: Beth Stolte <elizabeth.stolte@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 10:00 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Ball, Calvin; Jones, Opel; BoE Email
Subject: CR22-2024

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Wading into international politics when our county schools are looking at a budget deficit that will cut almost 350 positions is foolish at best, insane at worst. We have been told that the reason HCPSS is off for Jewish high holidays in the fall is because there are so many Jewish teachers in our schools that it's an operational need. This totally unnecessary resolution spits in their faces. No amount of days off will repair the upset this causes.

Dismiss this resolution immediately and focus on Howard County Maryland. There is no need wade into international politics.

Beth Stolte
District 2 resident

From: Brett Tiplitz <btiplitz@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 9:22 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB22-2024

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Dear Council members -

I find this bill to be a perfect example of how Liz Walsh is quite anti-semitic. I have lived in the area for nearly my entire life and find that this bill falls so short of facts, that it should be an embarrassment to Howard County and passing a bill like this will send a clear message to the Jewish people of Howard County that we are not welcome here, or more directly we should be using our next opportunity to vote out Liz Walsh from the County Council.

Facts that are missing

1. Hamas combines the military locations to co-exist with civilian locations, thus in a clear contract to the Geneva convention, and therefore endangering the lives of the residents of Gaza and also removing the protections that are supposed to be afforded with this convention
2. Hamas has promised to do the invasion of Israel again as soon as they can as the murder and rape is acceptable to them as Jewish people are considered sub-human to them
3. To date, Israel has destroyed over 7000 tunnel shafts, which protect only men as all the women and children are being used as human shields. In this country, we have bomb shelters that are used by civilians, but in Gaza, these are reserved only for the military.
4. Though Hamas directly targets civilians, the IDF does not and the death of the Gaza unarmed people, is unfortunate and not preventable without giving in 100% to the terrorist organization of Hamas. And that Howard County does not condone the rape of women by Hamas.
5. Hamas has and continues to prevent civilians from leaving the area that the IDF is operating in to maximize civilian deaths. That Hamas should be held partially if not wholly responsible for the death of so many Gaza residents.

This does not even include that Hamas has for 17 years been stealing money intended for the residents to build the Gaza metro. Hamas, when the Israel response began stated, as the governing body, it was not their job to feed and keep safe the residents of Gaza, but that was a job for the UN. Imagine if your job as a council member was only to arm residents and that the budget for the schools and underprivileged children has the funding cut to \$0

Please send a clear message to the people of Howard County that this is not an anti-semitic place to live. The council would be better served by a resolution for Hamas to free the 2,000,000 hostages they currently are holding

Brett Tiplitz,
Columbia resident

From: david liebskind <liebskind01@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 3:45 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB22-2024

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Dear Council Members,

I am opposed to a call for a ceasefire. Israel has the right to defend itself and is fighting a terrorist organization who actually wants to commit genocide and does not believe in Israel's right to exist. The duty of every country is to protect the right of its citizens and like any country in the world Israel is acting to eliminate the threat so October 7 does not happen again. Israel is fighting on behalf of the world as this terrorist ideology and hate for the West will expand to the United States and Europe. It must be stopped. A ceasefire means Hamas and terror wins and emboldens terrorists all over the world to continue to act.

Israel has created capacity and a safe humanitarian corridor. Hamas is stealing aid, using its citizens as human shields and setting up their military infrastructure in civilian areas. Please keep in mind Israel is required to have a bomb shelter in every house and building to protect its citizens. There are zero in Gaza. Why? Because they want their citizens to die to advance their narrative. Instead of the hundreds of millions of aid provided by the US, going toward education, medical care, civilian infrastructure it is going toward tunnels and weapons. Please see the real truth. It is ideology that needs to be defeated so everyone can coexist. Israel can never protect its people as long as Hamas exists. This is about good vs. evil. One side believes in love and peace and the other is filled with hate and death. This about moral clarity.
Sent from my iPhone

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:55 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Legislation cr22-2024

From: Denise Taylor <denisebtaylor@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 12:09 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Legislation cr22-2024

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Deb,

I am in district 4 - 6417 Ripe Apple Lane.

I see this

<https://apps.howardcountymd.gov/olis/LegislationDetail?legislationId=13433&legislationNumber=CR22-2024> regarding Gaza/Israel was proposed. I do not see what date this will be debated and not sure where to sign up to speak on this topic.

Why is this being introduced? What is your position on this and which way will you be voting?

Where can I sign up to speak and what is the correct date? The Howard County Council site is confusing about what date a legislation will be discussed.

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Denise B. Taylor
Phone: 240 731 6293
Email: denisebtaylor@gmail.com

From: gayle miller <insightsed@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 1:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CR22-2024

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I am appalled that the council is even considering such a bill. Hamas started this war. All they want to do is annihilate the Jewish people, and they are starting in Gaza. Iran and Hamas have tentacles throughout Europe, and probably the western hemisphere. For there to be any peace, Hamas must be broken and their leaders killed. Their tunnels should be enough proof of their mission. They hide amongst civilians and use their deaths to make Israel look like a murderer when Hamas is the murderer.

I will think twice before I vote for anyone supporting this bill.

Gayle Miller

From: Lipaz <lipazbaum@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 8:36 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Down vote resolution to end war between Israel and Hamas

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Dear council,

I am a resident of Columbia, MD.

On October 7 Hamas brutally attacked Israel, Hamas has murdered, raped and kidnapped women children and elderly folks. If this has occurred in any other country we would expect a much more extreme reaction.

While we must strive for peace among nations this is not the time. While there are still hostages in the Gaza strip held by Hamas and Islamic Jihad, we must not provide support for the assailants until all hostages are back at their home and the murderers are brought to justice.

Support of the resolution is support for terrorism. Please down vote the resolution.

Thank you,

Lipaz Baum
6157 waiting spg.
Columbia, MD

From: Michael Binder <binderclan@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 9:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CR22-2024, a sham condemnation of Israel

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No ceasefire.

Israel has already asked for pauses/ceasefire on its terms to free as many hostages as possible, and is trying again.

Let Hamas, a militant Iranian supplied militant terror group who started the Oct 7 2023 murderous massacre against 1200+ Israeli citizens, and preceded it with a decade of 20k+ rockets, **be fully defeated in the way Israel wants and deserves** without continued worldwide strings and condemnations.

CR22-2024 is an obvious sham in pro Palestinian guise; another condemnation of Israel.

Stand with Israel !! We don't need an antisemitic Council.

Mike Binder
Columbia, MD 21045

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:55 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Resolution CB22-2024

From: Nicholas Lamanna <nicholaslamanna@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 8:27 AM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Resolution CB22-2024

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Good morning Mrs. Jung,

I trust the day has greeted you well. I want to first thank you for taking the time to read this email, As my family's city council representative I want to share my appreciation in regards to the fact that you and the city council have concerns with what is going on in the Middle East and are taking the time to contemplate how to respond. With that being said, I have some concerns with the resolution. First, I believe everyone is in agreement that the amount of civilians that have been killed since this war started is scary and concerning and an agreed upon ceasefire would be ideal. However, I don't believe that a blank ceasefire is the route we should sign off on. My concern with the resolution is nowhere in the proposal does it state the condition of said ceasefire. For example should Israel accept a ceasefire without condition of all the hostages released? Should Israel accept a ceasefire on the condition that Hamas stay as the ruling party in Gaza? Second point I'd like to make is that,our resolution is in complete contrast to what the international court of Justice ruled on Friday. The International court did NOT recommend a ceasefire. They recommended that Israel take steps to ensure the safety of civilians.Lastly, I would like to see a vote of No (or nah) on this resolution on how it is worded currently and the council look to make amendments before signing off a blanket ceasefire statement.

Again, I want to thank you for your time reading this e-mail and your time on the macro level serving the 4 district of Howard county.

Concerned Community Member,

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From: Paul Rothstein <rothsteinpaulm@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 5:25 PM

To: 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>; Eric.bryant@mail.house.gov; Abigail.Cipparone@mail.house.gov

Cc: Ryan.Lawrence@mail.house.gov; Leesa.Klepper@mail.house.gov; Kathleen.Connor@mail.house.gov; Diane.Adamson@mail.house.gov; Jacob.Wilson@mail.house.gov; bethshalom@beth-shalom.net; rabbihbaron@hotmail.com; cjc@columbiajewish.org; info@templeisaiah.org; info@betaviv.org; Welcome@calahmd.org; kolnefeshofmd@gmail.com; kdacey@hearst.com; news@jewishtimes.com; sgreenfield@baltsun.com; martin.weil@washpost.com; erin.cox@washpost.com; sibarium@freebeacon.com; news@foxbaltimore.com; njcminock@gmail.com; jchristenson@nypost.com; jeffrey@jeffreygettleman.com; contactus@foxnews.com; danielle.gaines@gmail.com; naugenstein@wtop.com

Subject: Councilwoman Walsh's Pro-Hamas Resolution: References to Congressmen Mfume and Raskin

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To the Howard County City Council:

I have reviewed Councilwoman Walsh's resolution ([here](#)) calling for a ceasefire in Gaza.

Councilwoman Walsh has written a superficially neutral resolution that does not mention Hamas. Her resolution references statements by Congressmen Mfume and Raskin calling for a ceasefire. However, as she must know, her resolution reflects very different priorities from theirs.

Congressman Raskin ([here](#)) wrote:

The world must urgently prioritize immediate return of the hostages, a complete bilateral ceasefire, *the removal of the Hamas terrorists from operational control of Gaza*, the end of the bombardment of the civilian population, and a global humanitarian surge of food, water, medical supplies and power to the besieged Gazan population to end this wretched disaster of human suffering. [emphasis added]

Congressman Mfume ([here](#)) wrote:



Ironically, in her resolution that does not call out Hamas by name, Councilwoman Walsh cites Representative Mfume, who rejected a similar House resolution precisely because it does not call out Hamas by name.

Councilwoman Walsh presents a misleading view of the two Congressmen to anyone who has not read their positions. I am cc'ing senior staffers in each of their offices. I ask Councilwoman Walsh to explain why she used their names to justify her superficially neutral position that, in effect, supports Hamas by not recognizing that it broke the ceasefire in effect on October 6, 2023 and unleashed an unprovoked attack on civilians, including massive sexual violence; the NY Times described one of many Hamas victims as follows ([here](#)):

At first, she was known simply as “the woman in the black dress.” In a grainy video, you can see her, lying on her back, dress torn, legs spread, vagina exposed. Her face is burned beyond recognition and her right hand covers her eyes. The video was shot in the early hours of Oct. 8 by a woman searching for a missing friend at the site of the rave in southern Israel where, the day before, Hamas terrorists [massacred hundreds of young Israelis](#).

I am also cc'ing local rabbis, whom I encourage to forward this email as an example of poor governance in the County, and members of the local and national media.

I suggest that Councilwoman Walsh concentrate on her own responsibilities. Howard County has a housing affordability crisis ([here](#)) and school bus problems that endanger local children ([here](#)). Councilwoman Walsh misrepresented the positions of federal officeholders whose support you need for federal funds to help solve the preceding problems and others. To Councilmen Jones, Rigby, Jung and Yungmann, are you going

to make this situation worse by voting for Councilwoman Walsh's pro-Hamas resolution?

Regards,
Paul Rothstein

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:55 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Upcoming Resolution on Gaza

From: Goodwin <prdjgood@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 8:36 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Fw: Upcoming Resolution on Gaza

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To: councildistrict4@howardcounty.gov <councildistrict4@howardcounty.gov>
Cc: Laurie Edelman <laurieblanche@gmail.com>; Dan Goodwin <dlg82182@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 06:21:02 PM EST
Subject: Upcoming Resolution on Gaza

Ms. Deb Jung, Council Representative for District 4

Good evening, Ms. Jung,

A resident of Harpers Choice since 1979, I am writing to express my concern about a potential upcoming resolution by the Howard Council which calls for a cease fire in Gaza. While on its face a nice aspiration, any resolution calling for a cease fire must take into account WHY Israel is in Gaza in the first place.

While the pro-Palestinians continue to twist the truth which includes the latest farce at the ICJ accusing Israel of war crimes, over a hundred Israeli hostages sit in Hamas tunnels, many of whom are ill/have been raped or may even be dead by now. Even the Gaza residents speak of Hamas atrocities against them in the following article:

https://m.jpost.com/israel-hamas-war/article-783966?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Gazans+to+IDF%3A+Overthrow+Hamas%21&utm_campaign=January+27%2C+2024+2&vgo_ee=mYsWMHxtlZfRH5tbXH9%2Bcaav0sYz4Q58fO3kdO%2B4EU8Di4p%3A%2BhG5Ar1D4Kdgltlj0fqXhIsp%2BKYQ%2Fu04

Gazans call for overthrow of Hamas as they flee through IDF humanitarian corridor

A number of Gazan civilians in Khan Yunis have told IDF soldiers that Hamas was preventing them from leaving combat areas, using threats and violence.

Why would Israel want to stop battling monsters like this? Please vote "no" on any cease fire resolution until the Israeli hostages or their bodies are released. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Robert S Goodwin

From: Sandy Saval <sjbresnick@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 10:39 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Rigby, Christiana; CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict3@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: concern about CR22-2024

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Good evening members of the Howard County Council,

I am reaching out to you this evening to express my great concern about CR22-2024. I thank you in advance for your consideration of my feedback and future efforts to ensure that the work of the County Council best represents the priorities of our local community. Furthermore, I implore you to ensure that the work and viewpoints expressed by Council members respects all citizens within Howard County.

My initial concern with this legislation is that it falls outside the scope of local government. Additionally, I do not understand why our County Council should get involved in world affairs now when to my knowledge there have not been similar resolutions in the past few years even as other atrocities in the world have occurred such as the war in Ukraine.

I also find the content of this resolution grossly neglectful of the full scope of the issues occurring in Gaza and Israel and presenting a concerning narrow viewpoint that is perceived by many in our community as antisemitic. The demand for an "immediate ceasefire in Gaza" completely neglects the fact that Hamas is firing rockets at Israel every day. A ceasefire must be "bilateral" as referenced by U.S. Congressman Jamie Raskin in his recent comments.

Additionally, this resolution makes no mention of the absolute need to release the remaining hostages taken by Hamas terrorists on October 7. How can we even speak of humanitarianism without a demand to release the hostages?

The resolution references that "Maryland's United States Congressmen Kweisi Mfume and Jamie Raskin, and most recently Senator Chris Van Hollen, have called for an immediate cease-fire;" yet this feels again like a neglectfully broad misrepresentation of their recent statements, which I note are statements and not formal resolutions. On January 25, Congressman Raskin said "It is the cause of all humanity to demand that Hamas return more than 130 hostages still being held captive..." and that "The world must urgently prioritize immediate return of the hostages, a complete bilateral ceasefire, the removal of Hamas terrorists from operational control of Gaza, the end of the bombardment of the civilian population, and a global humanitarian surge of food, water, medical supplies, and power to the besieged Gazan population to end this wretched disaster of human suffering." The language in CR22-2024 is a far cry from this much more appropriate statement on the horrific circumstances in Israel and Gaza. Senator Chris Van Hollen also includes the need for the return of hostages in his statement on X (Twitter) on January 21, 2024.

As a lifelong resident of Howard County and a member of the Jewish community, I stand against CR22-2024 in its current form which blatantly minimizes the situation and marginalizes the Jewish community, even if unintentionally.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sandy Saval

From: Tsiporah Kauffman <tsiporahkauffman@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 1:11 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Liz Walsh

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As a Maryland citizen, please consider that her terrible anti Israel and anti Jewish legislation is severely affecting the community. Stop her hate legislation NOW!
Tsiporah Kauffman

From: Yumna Valiulla <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2024 9:46 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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Yumna Valiulla

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From: Aamir Chowdhury <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 9:10 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Abdul Saboor Khan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:47 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Abdul Wahab <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

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From: Ahmed Abdul Rahman <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:27 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Amal Sinnokrot <amal.sinnokrot@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 5:06 PM
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Cc: Aslston@howardcountymd.gov; Citycouncil@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilMail
Subject: Ceasefire Resolution

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Hello,

I am a constituent of Council Member Opel Jones. I am writing to request a meeting with him, to discuss the resolution on a ceasefire in Gaza. I would like to help answer any questions he may have on the resolution and I would like to share with him why this resolution is so important to me as his constituent. As a Palestinian American, I believe in this resolution and what it stands for. I have spent many summers in the West Bank and have experiences that many Americans wouldn't believe. This did not start on October 7th and the least we can do is use our voices to stop the violence on both sides.

Thank you so much in advance for your response, I look forward to meeting the Council Member soon.

Best,

Amal Sinnokrot

(240) 899-9310

From: Aman Rahman <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 7:09 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: anishaabbas@yahoo.com <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:40 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Anita Dworkin <ajdworkin@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:24 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Statement regarding Cease Fire

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As long term residents of Columbia, we are very concerned about the statement you are considering. While we oppose the bombing of civilians and their homes, it is known that Hamas leadership and terrorists have imbedded themselves in their own communities, endangering the lives of their own people. Hamas broke the ceasefire on 10/7 by attacking Israeli civilians, committing atrocities and kidnapping children, women and the elderly. Any statement regarding a ceasefire must include requiring the return of the hostages. The security of the existence of the State of Israel must be acknowledged. Hamas' stated goal has always been the destruction of Israel as implied by the statement "from the river to the sea". Our desire is that our community take leadership in increasing understanding rather than igniting conflict in our very special community.

Thank you for your serious consideration of this complex issue.

.....Anita and Ed Dworkin

Sent from my iPad

Anita Dworkin, Ph.D.

Licensed Psychologist

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Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:45 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CR-22-2024

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Hi!

I'm a constituent and I'm emailing today in the hopes that all council members will support the ceasefire resolution mentioned above.

Have a great day!
Beenish

Sent from my iPhone

From: bev fallik <bevfallik@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 2:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: bev fallik
Subject: reaction and recommendations regarding Howard County Council resolution 22-2024
Attachments: CR22-2024MY.docx

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Good Afternoon,

I am writing to express the mixture of sadness, anger, and sense of foreboding I experienced after reading the very lopsided resolution being considered by the Howard County Council regarding the horrific situation in the middle east. It is horrific due to the slaughter in Israel initiated by a terrorist organization and its continued threats to terminate Israel and its citizens. It is horrific due to the thousands of innocent lives being killed by and harmed as a result of Israeli retaliation, in large part due to the existence of the network of terrorist tunnels under hospitals, schools, etc. It is horrific due to the continued capture of innocent hostages and the refusal by Hamas of even Red Cross attention or proof of life. Your draft resolution focuses entirely on the harm to Gazans- nothing at all calling for the return of hostages, nothing at all calling for the end of terrorist activities. I urge you to reconsider and provide a more balanced perspective.

I have included and attached a possible draft of an edited version of the resolution which I truly hope you will consider before you move forward. Thanks in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Beverlie Fallik, PhD
Your constituent

Resolution No. 22 -2024edited

A RESOLUTION; calling upon the Biden administration to **demand the immediate return of all kidnapped hostages, to** facilitate certain humanitarian assistance into Gaza, and a cease-fire in Gaza, **and to facilitate the establishment of a Gazan government willing to partner in good faith with Israel in the future establishment of a two state solution.** We urge elected officials to take immediate action to use their position and influence to end this **existential and humanitarian crisis resulting from the massacre of and perpetual threat to Israeli and other citizens by terrorist organizations.**

WHEREAS, all human life is precious, and the targeting of civilians, no matter their faith or ethnicity, is a violation of international humanitarian law; and

Whereas, the terrorist activities of Hamas culminating on October 7, 2023, and the subsequent retaliation by Israel to eliminate Hamas who is hiding in tunnels beneath the Gazan population, claimed the lives of many thousands of innocent citizens, and wounded thousands more; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of lives are at imminent risk if hostages remain in jeopardy, terrorism continues, a cease-fire is not achieved and humanitarian aid is not delivered without further delay.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County,

Maryland this _____ day of _____, 2024 that Howard County Council demands that the Biden administration immediately call for and facilitate the return of all hostages, the elimination of a terrorist government and a cease-fire in Gaza; and

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2024 Legislative Session

Legislative Day

Resolution No. 22 -2024edited

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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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Subject: CR22-2024

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Councilmembers,

We live in a county that has serious issues. Our schools are bankrupt, we have a housing crisis, and, like the rest of country, we are deeply divided along political lines. And, yet, Councilwoman Walsh feels this is the time to strike a match to whatever political stability is left in our county with CR22-2024, a call for a ceasefire in Gaza.

It doesn't take a PhD in political science or sociology to predict what will happen in the coming weeks: inflamed Facebook/X posts, friends becoming enemies, dueling protests outside the Howard building, long nights of testimony, and a County Council consumed with local partisans and outside influences, distracted from helping the actual people of Howard County. And for what? If this legislation is passed, do we believe that Joe Biden will wake up the next morning and say "well, if *Howard County* says it's a good idea, I guess I should give Bibi a call"?

The legislation cites Reps. Raskin and Mfume calling for a ceasefire as well as Sen. Van Hollen. That's fine. It's their job on the national stage. It's not yours. Last time I checked, determining United States foreign policy was not part of the Howard County Charter.

I urge you to drop this legislation and see it for what it is: not an effort to promote viable change, but an opportunistic ploy to appease a political base.

Chris Krupiarz
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From: Doha N <d.nassar7@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 12:14 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Jung, Debra
Subject: Support CR22-2024

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Good Afternoon,

My name is Doha Nassar and I am emailing you to urge you to support the resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. This ongoing genocide has impacted millions of lives. Our tax dollars should not be funding this genocide. We would be remiss to ignore the suffering here in the United States. With the amount of money we are sending to Israel, we could fund a better education system, improve healthcare, and better the lives of our American citizens.

Support County Councilmember Liz Walsh's resolution. Enough is enough. The time to act is long overdue.

Best regards,
Doha Nassar

From: Eliyas Valiulla <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Eman Maher <imanmaher@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:41 AM
To: CouncilMail

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Good morning,

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

From: Eslam Omar <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 7:32 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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Eslam Omar

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COLUMBIA, Maryland 21046

From: Mariam Askari <fmaskari@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 3:08 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Regarding CR22 - 2024: please SUPPORT this resolution. Wash the blood off our hands

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Hello,

I am a constituent and I am emailing so that every one of these district members will support the resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in the Gaza strip. We have community members in Palestine whose families have been killed by the dozens since this conflict began. I urge you to find your humanity and support this resolution. South Africa has already plead its case to the ICJ and the ICJ has found that there is plausibility in the argument that this is a genocide. Please, show the US government that the citizens of Howard County do NOT approve of genocide, do NOT approve of our tax dollars being used to fund it, and we DO want an immediate ceasefire. We all have blood on our hands, please do your part to wash them clean.

Best,
Farrah Mariam Askari

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:53 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: Reaffirm your commitment to America's closest ally, Israel.

From: Janet Schreiberstein <janet@sendgrassroots.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:00 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Reaffirm your commitment to America's closest ally, Israel.

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Dear Board Chairman Deb Jung ,

Israel is once again under attack.

On October 7th, Hamas, the Iran-backed terror group controlling Gaza, launched an unprecedented surprise attack on Israel.

Since the attack began, reports have confirmed at least 1,200 Israelis have been murdered, including 40 babies. 240 people were kidnapped, with over 120 still being held in captivity. 5,400 people have been wounded, with hundreds in critical condition, and more than 10,000 rockets have been fired against Israeli towns and civilians.

As your constituent, I am asking you to reaffirm your commitment to the U.S.-Israel relationship, Israel's right to defend itself, denounce Hamas terror, and to help us bring home all the hostages held by Hamas in Gaza.

The United States and Israel share an unbreakable bond based on shared values. A secure and thriving Israel is paramount to America's national security. From cooperation on technological and medical advancements, to security collaboration, a thriving, multidimensional U.S.-Israel partnership benefits Americans from all walks of life.

Israel is under constant threat, both from terrorists such as Iran's proxies Hamas and Hezbollah, and from those who undermine Israel's right to exist. The attacks of October 7 destroyed any assumptions that Hamas' had a pragmatic interest in governing Gaza – its sole goal is the elimination of Israel and the Jewish people. As such, calling for a ceasefire gives Hamas credit and authority it no longer deserves. Calls for a ceasefire are not reasonable or realistic, nor is it the only way to guarantee that Palestinian civilians will be protected. Existing efforts to allow for food, water, medicine, and other essential assistance to flow into Gaza and to the people who need them must be bolstered.

This latest string of violent attacks highlights the precarious situation Israel faces and the need for America to stand with Israel against the many challenges she faces. The vital relationship between the U.S. and Israel must be celebrated and closely safeguarded, both in times of peace and crisis. Your support for the Jewish state is of paramount importance to millions of Americans across this country.

Thank you for supporting a safe and secure Israel.

Sincerely,

From: Jeff Rubin <rubinink@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 12:51 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Regarding CB22-2024

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Members of the County Council,

I respectfully disagree with the language of CB22-2024.

While you invoke the recent statement by Rep. Raskin and other representatives, the bill you propose exhibits none of the thoughtful and important nuances of Rep. Raskin or his colleagues.

The International Court of Justice in The Hague met to consider a number of issues pertaining to the Hamas-Israel war and, after great deliberation, ultimately determined NOT to call for an immediate ceasefire in view of Israel's legitimate right to defend itself against Hamas's brutality.

Hamas could bring an immediate end to this war by releasing the hostages, laying down its arms, and accepting Israel's right to exist. These are basic, inarguable acts of decency. Instead, it persists in launching attacks from civilian areas, using hostages and its population as human shields, and denying Israel's legitimacy.

If your bill included those provisions, it would advance peace and security in the region.

Jeff Rubin
Columbia

From: Jenna K <jlkhan13@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 3:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Move Resolution CR22-2024

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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

From: Williams, China
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:53 AM
To: Anderson, Isaiah
Subject: FW: resolution CB22-2024

From: Karen Lindeman <ramblewood66@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:33 PM
To: CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: resolution CB22-2024

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Dear Ms. Jung:

Thank you very much for the opportunity to express my thoughts about the above-referenced resolution.

I urge you to vote Against it. We cannot surrender to a terrorist organization that initiated armed conflict and continues to wage war and hold innocent hostages. An immediate cease fire would be tantamount to surrender, as it would leave Hamas continuing with authority over Gaza, with significant military capabilities, and with scores of innocent hostages held. In order to preserve the lives of civilian Gazans, we need to write a resolution calling for the immediate surrender of Hamas and return of all the hostages.

Thank you again for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Karen Lindeman

From: Kathleen Uy <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 12:39 PM

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Kathleen Uy

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From: letaubman <letaubman@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 5:59 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: Any Gaza Resolution Should Call for Release of All Hostages

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Hi Liz,

I don't know why Howard County should be taking a position on the Gaza issue. I would think most people want a cease fire. But my wife and I would only support this if it called for a ceasefire that demands **the immediate release of all of the hostages taken by Hamas and Islamic Jihad.**

My relatives in Israel are still being shelled from Gaza.

Thanks for representing us.

Larry Taubman

Lawrence Taubman
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Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

From: Malik Latif <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:17 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Maria Baroody <mariabaroodi@yahoo.com>
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Subject: Call for Ceasefire in Gaza

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Dear Council Members,

Please support resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. This is the most important issue impacting my community in Maryland.

Thank you,

Maria A. Baroody

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: MOHAMMED ABUZEINEH <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 7:58 PM

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With due respect , its extremely hard to watch the genocide of innocent harmless victims . Please use your power to stop killing the people .

Thank you ,
Naseema

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: Rama Thaher-Sawalhi <rama.sawalhi@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 3:26 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: Support Ceasefire in Gaza Resolution

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Hi,

I'm constituent from Maryland and I'm demanding all council members to vote and support the immediate ceasefire in Gaza resolution. This issue has been hurting me , my community, and other communities across Maryland. 80% of the people of Maryland want to end the genocide and stop the war crimes in Gaza committed by Israeli terrorists. All communities across Maryland from all backgrounds Muslims, Christians, and Jews are asking for one thing CEASEFIRE NOW IN GAZA Also , defund the apartheid, fascist terrorist Israeli regime

Please support the ceasefire in Gaza resolution now

Best wishes,

Rama

From: Rama Thaher-Sawalhi <rama.sawalhi@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 3:49 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Testimony For The Ceasefire Resolution

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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

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

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 1:01 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,

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

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Rama Thaher Sawalhi

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Chevy Chase , Maryland 20815

From: Rauda Tellawi <rauda.tellawi@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 1:31 PM
To: CouncilMail; Yungmann, David
Subject: We aren't humans

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I have been told all my life that my life doesn't matter.

I attended Harvard for college. I became a doctor at Hopkins. I work night and day as an ObGyn to save lives in the job I have. I fight to reduce black maternal mortality, to make black women feel loved and respected and valued when they come to have a baby with me....because I value their life and they, like all people, deserve to have the best delivery experience and feel that love and care.

I value every human life.

But the Human Rights Commission doesn't value mine.

I am a Palestinian American, a 7 year homeowner in Howard County.

My grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, brothers and sisters have been getting slaughtered since 1948, and our lives have never meant anything.

Your inaction confirms this.

Whatever faith you are, you believe in a God above us. You know what is right and wrong. An innocent life is innocent, no matter what faith it is.

One day, you will answer to that Higher Power. I sincerely hope your actions follow what is right.

Vote YES to the ceasefire resolution.

Thank you,
Rauda

—
A. Rauda Tellawi, MD, FACOG
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Cell: 301-518-2610

From: Rebecca Feldman <rebecca.feldman4@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 5:36 PM

To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov

Subject: CB22-2024

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Council Member Walsh,

As your constituent and someone who has voted for you previously, I was incredibly disappointed to read the resolution that you pre-filed and announced on social media. First, I don't see any reason for the Howard County Council to debate or vote on a resolution about what a foreign government should or shouldn't do. This is not precedent for the Council. Are you planning to bring resolutions about other conflicts in the world or just ones that involve Jews? The resolution is irrelevant to the governance of Howard County and it is a waste of our Council's time.

Second, bringing this resolution brings public testimony as well as hundreds of comments on your social media channels. This seems to be an invitation for hate. It does not benefit the people of Howard County to invite people to listen to public testimony about such a complicated and difficult issue which often includes hate speech, including anti semitic language.

Third, your resolution says that Senator Van Hollen and Congressmen Mfume and Raskin called for a cease fire. What they called for and what your resolution fails to call for is the release of the Israeli hostages. If you believe, as you wrote on Facebook, that "every human being is of infinite value", then why are the Israeli hostages not mentioned in your resolution? Are they not "of infinite value" to you? Any cease fire that does not involve the release of the hostages, who have received no medical care and by news reports have been raped and beaten, is a win for a terrorist organization and does not value every human life.

I feel less safe in my own community since you began your pro-Hamas Facebook posts. I did not know that there was so much anti semitism in my own community and I'm saddened that you've felt the need to invite it into the light.

I hope the Council rejects this resolution.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Feldman

From: Rebecca Feldman <rebecca.feldman4@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 5:43 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB22-2024

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Howard County Council,

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I feel less safe in my own community since Council Member Walsh's pro-Hamas Facebook posts began. I did not know that there was so much anti semitism in my own community and I'm saddened that she felt the need to invite it into the light. Voting yes on this resolution in its current state will be a message to the Jews of Howard County that the lives of our brothers and sisters in Israel, especially those who are still being held by terrorists, as well as our own are of less value than others.

I hope the Council rejects this resolution.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Feldman

From: Reem Azzam <razzam@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:52 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Cc: Reem Azzam <razzam@gmail.com>
Subject: Please Support Ceasefire Resolution CR22-2024

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Hello,

I'm writing to you as a deeply concerned constituent. The last few months have impacted me profoundly for many reasons, not the least being the feeling of helplessness and guilt as my own friends (other fellow Marylanders) lost family members in Gaza. It is time for us to send a message to Congress and remind them of the values we must uphold as Americans. We simply cannot sit quietly any longer and watch our leaders continue to make us— the American people— complicit in genocide and ethnic cleansing.

Thank you for listening.

Respectfully,
Reem Azzam

From: Richard Bresnick <rmbresnick@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 5:24 PM
To: CouncilMail; CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict2@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict3@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict4@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilDistrict5@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Serious Concerns with CR22-2024

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To all members of the Howard County Council,

Our daughter, Sandy Saval, recently contacted you to express her concerns with the proposed resolution, CR22-2024, calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. She shared her comments with us and we reiterate them here because we agree wholeheartedly with them, we could not have expressed them any better ourselves and we want to go on record as supporting those comments completely.

The situation in Gaza is immensely tragic, but it is also very complex, and far too many people are taking an incredibly simplistic view of the conflict. Please do not fall into that trap.

We thank you in advance for your consideration of our feedback and future efforts to ensure that the work of the County Council best represents the priorities of our local community. Furthermore, we implore you to ensure that the work and viewpoints expressed by Council members respects all citizens within Howard County.

Our initial concern with this legislation is that it falls outside the scope of local government. Additionally, we do not understand why our County Council should get involved in world affairs now when to our knowledge there have not been similar resolutions in the past few years even as other atrocities in the world have occurred such as the war in Ukraine.

We also find the content of this resolution grossly neglectful of the full scope of the issues occurring in Gaza and Israel and presenting a concerning narrow viewpoint that is perceived by many in our community as antisemitic. The demand for an "immediate ceasefire in Gaza" completely neglects the fact that Hamas is firing rockets at Israel every day. A ceasefire must be "bilateral" as referenced by U.S. Congressman Jamie Raskin in his recent comments.

Additionally, this resolution makes no mention of the absolute need to release the remaining hostages taken by Hamas terrorists on October 7. How can we even speak of humanitarianism without a demand to release the hostages?

The resolution references that "Maryland's United States Congressmen Kweisi Mfume and Jamie Raskin, and most recently Senator Chris Van Hollen, have called for an immediate cease-fire;" yet this feels again like a neglectfully broad misrepresentation of their recent statements, which we note are statements and not formal resolutions. On January 25, Congressman Raskin said "It is the cause

of all humanity to demand that Hamas return more than 130 hostages still being held captive..." and that "The world must urgently prioritize immediate return of the hostages, a complete bilateral ceasefire, the removal of Hamas terrorists from operational control of Gaza, the end of the bombardment of the civilian population, and a global humanitarian surge of food, water, medical supplies, and power to the besieged Gazan population to end this wretched disaster of human suffering." The language in CR22-2024 is a far cry from this much more appropriate statement on the horrific circumstances in Israel and Gaza. Senator Chris Van Hollen also includes the need for the return of hostages in his statement on X (Twitter) on January 21, 2024.

As residents of Howard County for over 45 years and members of the Jewish community, we stand against CR22-2024 in its current form which blatantly minimizes the situation and marginalizes the Jewish community, even if unintentionally.

Thank you again for your consideration.

Richard and Meryl Bresnick

From: Robert Hurwitz <benhur4d@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 3:00 PM
To: CouncilMail; Robert Hurwitz
Subject: Fw: CR22-2024

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Subject: CR22-2024

To: Howard County Council

I just became aware that the Howard County Council will be considering CR22-2024, which is calling for an immediate ceasefire in the war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza. The legislation is also asking the Biden Administration to pressure Israel to stop the war.

I am strongly opposed to this bill, both on substance and intention. I was not aware that the Howard County Council had a foreign policy. If so, could you share with me what that policy is? For example has the Council sent its opinion on the war between Ukraine and Russia, and how the Biden Administration has been supporting Ukraine?

With regard to the substance, the conflict between Israel and Hamas was initiated when Hamas slaughtered 1,200 Israelis, including women and children, and raped a large number of women. Hamas took 250 hostages, many of them wounded, back to Gaza, and treated them poorly, in violation of international norms on the treatment of civilian prisoners.

It was not only Hamas terrorists but many 'regular' Gazans who joined in the slaughter. Hamas deliberately embeds itself in civilian areas in Gaza to make it almost impossible for Israel to attack the terrorists without also hitting other Gazans. In fact, Hamas leaders said that they looked forward to Gazan civilians being killed and wounded so that the rest of the world would condemn Israel as a consequence.

Hamas leaders have said that October 7 was only the first of many planned attacks on Israel. A ceasefire would enable Hamas to regroup and get ready for its next attack. If the Council wishes to really make an impact on the situation, it should encourage Hamas to surrender and release ALL the hostages. Israel would cease its campaign to eradicate Hamas and consequently end the war.

Hence, I urge you to reject this bill.

Thank you,
Robert Hurwitz
410-750-8762

From: Rona Cohen <brapco@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 11:19 AM
To: CouncilMail; Jewish Federation of Howard County
Subject: Resolution CB22-2024

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Dear Council Members:

Thank you for continually working so hard for the benefit of all in Howard County. This has been a great place to live, due to your guidance.

It has come to my attention that the Council is becoming involved in an international political matter. The situation in the Middle East and the Hamas Israeli war is nothing less than terrible for all. Please refresh your memories and information regarding how this war began.

Hamas didn't just shoot guns across the border. They engaged in a planned and brutal, horrific massacre of innocent people and destroyed infrastructure. Hamas has used citizens in Gaza for the benefit of their own despicable mission.

How would any country react to this abominable, gruesome attack? Very unfortunately the repercussions from that heinous day of October 7, 2023 are still present.

We aren't there and aren't living through this awful situation, yet we do care for all the citizens living through this war. However, it is not up to us to judge politically. ***It is also not appropriate or necessary or even wise for the local Howard County Council in Maryland to take sides or be involved in the politics in another country.*** Humanitarian aid is certainly important for all.

Perhaps the Howard County Council can make the elimination of *hate* a priority here, as what we do at home can indeed improve all the world.

Please consider dropping Resolution CB22-2024, as it is inappropriate for the Council to insert itself into international politics.

With hopes for peace for all,
Rona Cohen

From: ruba abu khdeir <rfak80@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 4:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Supporting CR22-2024

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Dear Councilmembers,

I trust this message finds you well. As a dedicated constituent, I am reaching out to request your support for the resolution CR22-2024, advocating for immediate ceasefire in Gaza. Your commitment to this cause would make a significant impact on the community, fostering hope and promoting peace in the region.

Warm regards,

Ruba abukhdeir

Constituent of Howard County

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: Ryan Levin <rlevin1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:56 PM
To: Walsh, Elizabeth
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: CR22-2024

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Councilwoman Walsh,

As my councilwoman I am asking you not to introduce CR22-2024. I personally know people who have written to you about the reasons why CR22-2024 is a terrible idea. While I agree with what they are saying, I am asking you not to vote on CR22-2024 because it is not the business of Howard County to get involved in these issues. Especially one as complicated and as polarizing as this one. Even if I agreed with you, I do not want my county council spending time with affairs that does nothing to help Howard County and only adds more tensions. If you go through with this CR22-2024, you will never have my vote or the vote of any of my family. Also, I will feel an obligation to actively campaign against you and any counsel person who votes for it.

Many thanks,

Ryan Levin

From: Saiyed Ahmad <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 10:26 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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Saiyed Ahmad

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From: Saman Ahmed <saman01@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 2:31 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: CR22-2024

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Dear Councilmembers,

I am your constituent in Columbia, MD and I'm asking you today to support the resolution CR22-2024, calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza. There are many Palestinian families, right here in Howard County who have lost multiple family members in the ongoing violence in Gaza and now, sadly, the West Bank as well.

What happens in other parts of the world affects us all. Across the U.S., we have already seen a rise in hate crimes towards Arabs, Palestinians, and Muslims as well as the stifling of free speech. For example, at Columbia University in NY, Israeli American students who had served in the IDF sprayed a dangerous chemical agent on students protesting for a ceasefire, causing them to be hospitalized. I have heard from high schoolers in our own county who feel stifled and afraid to voice their support for Palestine.

Supporting a Ceasefire is simply supporting humanity and a call to end the violence so that humanitarian aid can get through to Gaza. Please support CR22-2024.

Thank you,
Saman Ahmed

From: Sarah Ahmad Ali <sarahmad2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 3:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: 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: Sarah Pan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 6:14 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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Sarah Pan

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From: Sarah Sherman <sshern22@jh.edu>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 4:40 PM
To: CouncilDistrict5@howardcountymd.gov; CouncilMail
Cc: sarahsherman100@gmail.com; sarah and Harry Sherman (handssherman@verizon.net)
Subject: Resolution CB22-2024

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Dear Councilman David Yungmann,

I so appreciate that the Howard County Council is looking at passing resolution regarding Israel and the war with Hamas!

My name is Sarah Sherman, I'm an American AND Israeli citizen. I lived in this beautiful country for over 50 years now ; I'm an RN Educator who works at Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center. I'm married with 3 kids and 2 grandkids .

I grew up in Israel (born in Iran) but lived longer here in Howard County. I love both countries: They both share so many values and such a strong bond. I'm thankful for the USA for giving me a wonderful opportunity and a great life here, but my heart is somehow always torn between both countries.

Israel is one of the most unique and complicated countries ; It has so much to offer, does so much to make the world a better place (it is called Tikun Olam) ,
But for its such a short 75 years of modern life, it had already so many wars and it is the focus of so much of the world hatred and criticism!
Sometime I don't know how Israel continue as well as it does with the daily struggle of terrorism and condemnation! It is always walking on such a tide rope and it is called upon to live with such higher standards then basically any other country in the world (my opinion).

Israel CANNOT and SHOUDN'T have to agree to a cease fire just because the rest of the world is demanding it; Israel had basically a second holocaust in lass 90 years and it seems like the world (ESPECIALLY the United Nation), couldn't care less. No country in the world will accept having its babies and children as hostages in dark tunnels, accept the horrors of October 7.. but even here in the USA we are allowing Hamas demonstrations of ignorant and misguided people who call for the Genocide of not just the 6 million Jews, not just the (over) 1300 Israelis and other nationals, but all the Jews. ... What happen to our moral campus, to common sense, to the values that this extraordinary USA was built on?? Where and when we lost them? Who is next- Catholics,, Hindus, others....????

We need each one of these hostage back , the live ones and unfortunately the dead ones. You know that their lives and their family lives will NEVER be the same. !!!!

Councilman Yungmann, please vote YES for resolution CB22-224. Please do the right thing for Israel and for Humanity.

Respectfully, Sarah Sherman
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From: Scott White <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:27 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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Scott White

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To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Sheza Nasir <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 7:32 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: Stuart Baker <profstu@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:56 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Resolution CB22-2024 on Gaza

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I urge you to vote against resolution CB22 2024 calling for an unconditional ceasefire in Gaza.

The goal of Hamas (as stated in their charter) is to occupy Israel and commit genocide against all Jews. Hamas uses human shields in the hopes of many Gazan victims to gain international sympathy.

A ceasefire without return of hostages will lead to hostages never returned and a later war (as promised by Hamas) with increased deaths to Gazans and Israelis.

The resolution should be for unconditional surrender of Hamas and release of all hostages. That would end the humanitarian crisis immediately.

Sincerely,
Stuart G. Baker
Columbia MD 21044

From: Syed Ali <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

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To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:01 PM

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From: Tasniya Sultana <sultana.tasniya@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 4:56 PM
To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: ceasefire in Gaza

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My name is Tasniya Sultana and I am a constituent of Howard County and I am emailing to have the councilmember support the resolution CR22-2024 calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

Regards,

Tasniya Sultana

From: Hightower, Rozonna
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 4:53 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: PLEASE SUPPORT CR22-2024

Tasniya Sultana 703.314.2721
Please support CR22-2024



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From: Yumna Valiulla <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 9:33 PM

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From: Yusuf Mohd <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:44 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Aamina A <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Abdul Saboor Khan <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 5:36 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Adele Taube <ast10239@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: resolution CB22-2024

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In reference to the above proposed resolution, I would like to state my opinion.

I agree that all human life is precious. Sadly, the Hamas terrorists do not agree. They continue to send daily multiple rockets into Israel, plot massive attacks against the Jewish people, hide & operate their activities from hospitals, schools and other public places, purposely exposing their civilian populations to danger.

My preference would be to propose a resolution demanding that Hamas immediately cease their attacks on Israel, release all hostages, vacate their massive tunnel system & weapons, acknowledge Israel's right to exist, and work together to solve the humanitarian crisis that they created for the Palestinian people.

Put the pressure on Hamas to do these things.
If they did, the humanitarian crisis would be resolved.

Israel has every right to defend its country and its citizens -- which include its Arab citizens.

Thank you for your consideration,

Adele Taube
Ellicott City MD

From: Aisha Ali <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:56 PM

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From: Ali Mystafa <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

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From: Alia Irshad noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

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From: Ambreen Baig <baigsaaba@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:57 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Support ceasefire in Gaza

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Hello,

I am asking all council members in Howard county to please call for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza. We need to work towards a diplomatic solution to this issue.

Thank you,
-Ambreen Baig.

From: ammar albadarneh <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 3:30 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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DAYTON, Maryland 21036

From: Anika Ingram <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 3:06 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: Anjum Khan <banjumi@yahoo.com>
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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.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Anum Ali <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 3:15 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:44 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB22-2024

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Dear Howard County Council Members:

I am expressing my opposition to Resolution CB22-2024 introduced by Councilperson Walsh. I am a resident of District 1. I oppose the Resolution for two reasons:

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2. The Resolution covers foreign affairs, which to me is outside the scope of the Council's responsibilities and expertise. When Russia invaded Ukraine in February of 2022 I do not recall that the Council issued a resolution urging President Biden to assist Ukraine or a resolution urging Mr. Putin to remove his troops. There are many issues in District 1 that are the Councils' responsibility including funding and overseeing flood mitigation in Old Ellicott City; I believe the Council should concentrate on local issues and leave foreign affairs to President Biden, Congress and the U.S. State Department.

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Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 1:01 PM

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Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:09 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Eyad Abdeldayem noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

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To: CouncilDistrict1@howardcountymd.gov
Subject: Fwd: CB22-2024

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> Dear Council Member Walsh,

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> I have always appreciated your thoughtful approach to passing resolutions that are responsive to your constituents' concerns. In this case, I would like to protest your support of the language in CB22-2024 which does not include language requiring an immediate ceasefire by both Hamas and Israel, along with an immediate release of the hostages held by Hamas and Islamic Jihad. There are 136 hostages of all ages that continue to be held for over 115 days. This includes children, young women, men and seniors. Without adding this language, the resolution is very one-sided and does not adequately address the situation.

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> As I am sure you know, there was a ceasefire in place prior to October 7th between the parties which was horribly violated by Hamas. Accordingly, to not call out the initial violaters and party to the war does nothing to achieve an actual ceasefire.

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> Please reconsider your position on this and call for more balanced language in this resolution.

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> Thank you,

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> Felicia Hulit
> 4236 Scarlet Sage Court
> Ellicott City, MD

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> Sent from my iPhone

From: Habib Ali <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 2:16 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

Subject: We need to Strengthen CR22-2024: A Resolution for Peace and Justice in Gaza

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From: Jenna K <jlkhan13@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:21 AM
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Hello,

I am a 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

21042 Ellicott City

From: Maheen Taqui noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 7:37 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov

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From: Manar Dajani <mdfalisten@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 12:18 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Support CR22-2024

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Hello!

I am a Maryland resident and I have lost over 100 family members and friends in the genocide in Gaza. We need an immediate ceasefire! I am writing to request support for the CR22-2024 resolution.

Thanks,
Manar Dajani
443-878-2826

From: nabeel razzak <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 2:21 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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From: ruba abu khdeir <rfak80@yahoo.com>
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Dear Councilmembers,

I trust this message finds you well. As a dedicated constituent, I am reaching out to request your support for the resolution CR22-2024, advocating for immediate ceasefire in Gaza. Your commitment to this cause would make a significant impact on the community, fostering hope and promoting peace in the region.

Warm regards,

Ruba abukhdeir

Constituent of Howard County

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: Saadia Imran <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:25 AM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:01 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: Shahina Haque <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 2:18 PM

To: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>

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