From: Shoshana Zazula

To: Mayor Christenson; Peg Crowe; Paul Condon; Amanda Linehan; Ryan O"Malley; Ari Taylor; Stephen Winslow;

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Subject: Re: Vote NO on cease fire resolution **Date:** Sunday, June 2, 2024 7:07:34 PM

Resending with my address below. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

-Shoshana Zazula

On 06/02/2024 7:05 PM EDT Shoshana Zazula shoshana.zazula@comcast.net wrote:

Dear members of the Malden City Council,

I ask you in the strongest terms to vote "NO" on this, or any other, ceasefire resolution in the Israel-Hamas war. There is no moral equivalence between a democratic nation whose stated goal is the protection of its civilians and a terrorist organization whose stated goal is the elimination of Jews worldwide. Surely if terrorist groups were infiltrating our city and homes here in Malden, we would feel justified in fighting back until the threat was eliminated. Israelis continue to live in daily fear of a repeat of October 7th, as well as of the rockets that continue to rain down on Israel.

Asking for a ceasefire that leaves Hamas in power, after they have promised to repeat the October 7 massacre many times over, tells Jews that their lives don't matter, and puts the continued existence of our ally, the state of Israel, at risk of destruction.

The Palestinian casualties are a tragedy, and we want this war to end immediately. That can only happen with the immediate release of our hostages and total surrender of Hamas. Many people falsely cry "genocide" and "war crimes", without understanding what those terms really mean and that they are not applicable to the current situation.

Please, don't give in to the propaganda and the hate. Stand with Israel, America's ally, against the terrorist organization Hamas, and refuse to be part of the movement that delegitimizes a nation's right to self defense and that rewards agents of terror. Vote NO on this, and all, ceasefire resolutions.

Thank you. -Shoshana Zazula Resident of Malden, Ward 3

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