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**Subject:** Support for Malden City Council Ceasefire Resolution 271-24

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## Dear City Councillors and Mayor Christensen,

I hope you are receiving many messages to this effect, but I urge you to vote to pass a ceasefire resolution (271-24) tomorrow. It needs to start at the local level to urge our state, and thus national governments to take serious action. This needed to happen months ago and waiting any longer is unconscionable.

It is appalling how long this genocide has been allowed to go unchecked by the powers that be. The lack of humanity afforded toward people of color is indefensible. The other day a colleague brought up the analogy of the IRA in Ireland. The IRA was also a dangerous terrorist organization. Would the US have supported bombing hospitals in Northern Ireland under the guise of rooting out terrorists? Absolutely not.

As one of the most (the most?) diverse cities in the state, we need to be leaders on this issue, calling out the racist policies of our government that is defending western power and control in the Middle East at the expense of innocent, powerless civilians.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this matter.

All the best, Kate Harney 20 Earl Street, Malden Ward 3

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