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Subject: Public Comment in Support: 271-24 **Date:** Tuesday, June 4, 2024 3:59:45 PM

City Councilors,

I am writing in support of resolution 271-24 asking for Malden's support of ceasefire and full release of hostages in the Occupied Palestinian Territories.

Malden specific:

Malden currently has a branch location of Pursuit Aerospace, formerly Paradigm Precision/Manchester. Pursuit Aero is the largest privately-owned aerospace company in the country. It's based out of Connecticut with a location in Malden at 243 Medford St. They currently have a US Department of Defense contract to fix mechanical parts for fighter planes which are to be specifically sold to Israel to support any and all military operations they are doing. As a result of this branch location in Malden, we receive tax funds from this company, and we provide tax breaks to them to be here in Malden. Of course, I support our Malden workers, but I do not support the connection between our city and the military industrial complex.

I support all of our diverse communities to be heard, especially by our elected officials. Even though we have heard concern and empathy when we have directly contacted our officials, I was quite surprised that no officials had reached out to initiate these conversations with our Arab and Muslim neighbors to impart that directly, especially since many requests for meetings were sent and ignored.

Overall, we have a Malden community that is in pain. Passing this ceasefire resolution will show that our city stands with humanity and all of our residents. We cannot go down the road of allowing a mindset of approving of violence towards one group of people to insure the safety of another. Those actions will come back to haunt us when that mindset finds itself here one day. Let's show that we stand for peace and humanity. Let's stand with our people and our community, not fear.

Thank you,

Lissette Alvarado

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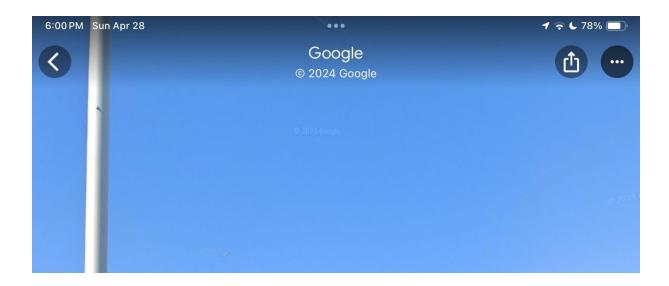
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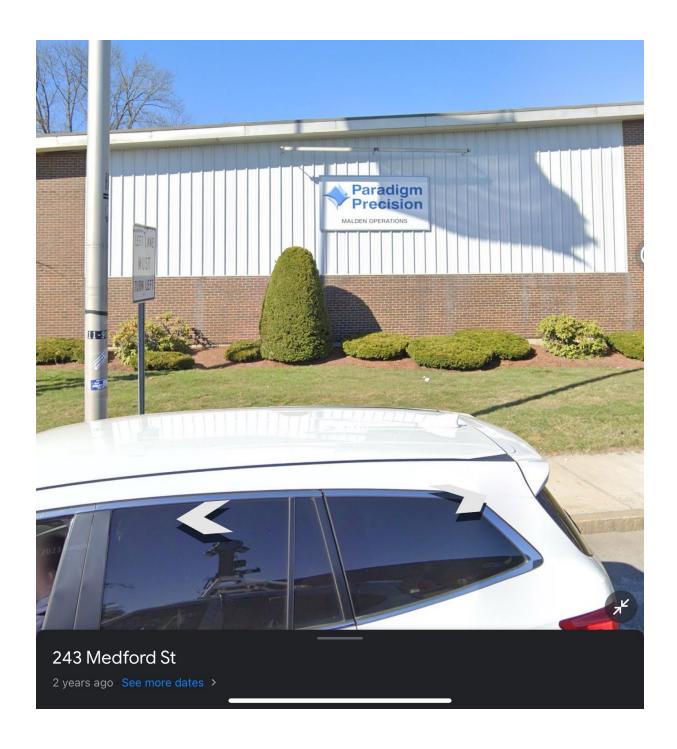
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Paradigm Manchester Inc., Manchester, Connecticut (FA8121-22-D-0017), Soldream Inc., Vernon, Connecticut (FA8121-22-D-0020); and Israel Aerospace Industries Ltd., Ben Gurion International Airport, Israel (FA8121-22-D-0021), have been awarded a \$75,034,070 face-value contract to repair F100-PW-220 convergent nozzle seal segments. Work will be performed in multiple locations and is expected to be completed by Sept. 29, 2027. This contract involves foreign military sales to Israel. This contract was a competitive acquisition and three offers were received. Fiscal 2022 services funds in the amount of \$453,400 are being obligated at time of award. Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, is the contracting activity.





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