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## Hello,

I request that you all vote no on resolution 271-24 scheduled for the 6/25 meeting. Any resolution as narrow in scope as this one isn't serving our community. A community focused resolution would acknowledge the many other places our residents come from that are also experiencing disasters of all kinds. All this accomplishes is highlighting disagreement/grievance and drawing out bad actors. We've witnessed the tacit or even blatant antisemitism displayed by protest groups over the months since Hamas instigated a new wave of war. The propaganda is so pervasive that more people than ever have woefully underresearched and stubborn opinions on the issue.

Ironically, the wording that was agreed upon at the previous meeting was largely inoffensive and likely even acceptable to many who had urged a no vote before. Despite that, I'm certain there will be objections to it by the yes camp because it isn't extreme enough in its vilification of Israel, and thus, won't fit their wider narrative. Instead of repeating the circus that was 6/4, please vote no and end this entirely.

The Malden Jewish Alliance exists and continues to advocate civilly.

Thank you,

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