

From: [Maxim Berezin](#)
To: [Carol Ann Desiderio](#)
Subject: Re: Vote NO on the Ceasefire Resolution 271-24
Date: Monday, June 3, 2024 5:15:07 PM

Dear members of the Malden City Council,

I ask you in the strongest terms to vote "NO" on resolution 271-24 regarding the Israel-Hamas war at the City Council Meeting on Tuesday June 4th.

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.

Calling for a ceasefire that leaves Hamas in power, after they have promised to repeat the October 7 massacre many times over, while there are alarming calls among the Greater Boston community to wipe Israel off the map from the river to the sea and to globalize the intifada, accomplishes nothing but to tell your Jewish constituents that their lives don't matter.

The Palestinian casualties are tragic, and Israelis and Jews do want this war to end as soon as possible.

That can only happen with the immediate release of the hostages and the total surrender of Hamas.

Please remember that Hamas is also holding five American hostages, as well as hostages from 17 nations.

There are many people that falsely and provocatively make unfounded and twisted claims of genocide and war crimes. They deliberately misrepresent the reality of the events on the ground in and around Israel, and abuse the definition of these terms to suit their narrative.

The truth is that there are many and increasing amounts of trucks of food and aid crossing from Israel into Gaza every day. Though meant to be freely available, Hamas seizes these deliveries and keeps them for themselves, or sells them for profit to the needy.

The truth is that Hamas hides their weapons and militants among their own civilian constituents, using schools and private homes for weapons caches and tunnel entrances, which are war crimes.

There was a ceasefire until October 6th, which Hamas violated by invading Israel and starting this war.

They killed families in their homes, raped daughters in front of their mothers and burned them alive.

They massacred partygoers and took them hostage, and celebrated by parading their corpses through the streets of Gaza.

There is no moral equivalence between these barbarous acts of sadistic terror, and the toils of war that Israel finds itself pulled into for its very existence.

Please, don't give in to the propaganda and the hate. Stand with Israel, America's only democratic ally in the Middle East, against the truly genocidal terrorist organization Hamas. Refuse to be part of the movement that delegitimizes a nation's right to self defense and rewards agents of terror.

Please vote NO on this ceasefire resolution.

Thank you,
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30 Revere Beach Pkwy, Medford, MA
Concerned neighbor in Medford and lifelong Greater Boston resident

On Mon, Jun 3, 2024 at 5:09 PM Carol Ann Desiderio <CDesiderio@cityofmalden.org> wrote:

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for contacting the Office of the City Clerk.

If you wish this email to be included in the Public Comment record of Tuesday's Council meeting and to be added to the history of Paper 271-24, your home address, in addition to your name, is required for the record.

Thank you,

Carol Ann Desiderio,

Malden City Clerk

From: Maxim Berezin <maximberezin97@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 3, 2024 5:01 PM

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