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Subject: Urging that a Second National Summit to Combat Antisemitism be Convened - Councillor Karen Cilevitz

Dear Office of the Clerk.

I hope this letter finds you well. As a Canadian citizen and a longstanding resident of Richmond Hill who is not Jewish, I am writing to express my strong support for Councillor Cilevitz's recent motion addressing the pressing issue of antisemitism in our community.

Living in one of the most multicultural societies in the world is a source of great pride for many of us, as it reflects our shared commitment to inclusivity, diversity, and respect for all individuals. It is disheartening, however, to witness the alarming rise of antisemitism in Canada, targeting our fellow citizens in the Jewish community.

I commend Councillor Cilevitz for taking a stand against discrimination and for championing the values that make our society vibrant and inclusive. I earnestly request that the council pays special attention to and fully supports this important motion.

Discrimination has no place in our society, and it is our collective responsibility to ensure that everyone can live free from fear or prejudice. By addressing and combatting antisemitism, we are not only standing with our Jewish neighbours but also upholding the principles that make Canada a beacon of tolerance.

I believe that, as a nation, we must unite against any form of discrimination and racial hatred. I sincerely hope that the Federal Government will allocate sufficient funds and resources to effectively combat and eradicate such behaviours.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter. I trust that our council, under your leadership, will continue to work towards fostering a community where diversity is celebrated, and discrimination has no place.

Sincerely,

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