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To the members of the Committee of the Whole:

Please accept this note in support of the motion being brought forward by Councillor Cilevitz urging the Government of Canada to convene a Second National Summit to Combat Antisemitism.

Recent events in Gaza have led many groups in Canada and worldwide to voice strong opinions on both sides of the equation. However, when opinions lead to violence and discrimination, we as Canadians must oppose any such expression. We are proud of Canada's anti-hate legislation and Charter of Rights and Freedoms and encourage all those who have been elected to represent us in government to uphold these laws, so that Canada can continue to be a positive example of democracy and tolerance on the world stage. Antisemitism cannot be tolerated. We appreciate your consideration and support in this matter.

Yours very truly,

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