

Notice of Motion - Commitment to Community and Global Peace

Moved by Councillor Nanda
Seconded by Councillor Elgar

WHEREAS foreign policy and international development are under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government;

WHEREAS municipal councils are concerned with more local issues; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Oakville values peace and harmony globally and acknowledges the temporary ceasefires in the conflict in Gaza; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Oakville Council recognizes the complex and global nature of this conflict and other global issues and its local impact on our residents; and

WHEREAS, reputable, humanitarian agencies and United Nations spokespersons are expressing deep concern over the deaths, suffering and destruction taking place in this war; and

WHEREAS, Council condemns all acts of hatred including the recent rise in Islamophobia, anti-semitism, Hinduphobia, and Xenophobia; and

WHEREAS, Council is committed to the principles of non-violence, mutual respect, and the promotion of understanding among all community members.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Oakville Council will continue to advocate for a lasting peace solution, a call for an immediate humanitarian ceasefire; and release of all hostages

THAT Council reaffirms its support for ongoing humanitarian efforts to aid those affected by the conflict;

AND THAT Council is dedicated to ensuring a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment for all residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Minister of Global Affairs, the Minister of International Development, local Halton Members of Parliament and be made available to the public; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be entered into the official records of the Town of Oakville Council and be communicated to the public, affirming the Council's commitment to global peace, community solidarity, and proactive engagement in matters of international concern