From:
To: City Council

Subject: FW: Public Comment on Agenda Item 4

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Dear Sebastopol City Council,

My name is Dennis Judd, I have lived adjacent to Sebastopol since 1986. I own property within the Sebastopol City limits, Operated my business Cipora Properties, LLC in Sebastopol and have been proud to support businesses and the community in Sebastopol.

I am asking the Sebastopol City Council to vote NO on Item 5 Ceasefire Resolution. I feel that the Sebastopol City Council is not the appropriate forum to make **Divisive Resolutions** on complex international issues. A vote for a unilateral ceasefire essentially is a vote in support of Hamas. It does not address the proper issues that has led up to this war, that has manifested since the Hamas brutal, vicious, massacre of innocent People in Israel including United States Citizens and the disgusting taking of hostages back to Gaza. A unilateral ceasefire will not result in peace, especially without the release of hostages and the elimination of the brutal military existence of Hamas.

If Sebastopol feels that there is a benefit to the City passing a resolution, then the City must take the effort and time needed to fully review and understand the reality of the situation. The City must evaluate how in reality does Israel make peace with a terrorist group like Hamas, who has publicly stated that its goal is the elimination of Israel and all of the Jews living there "From The River To The Sea".

- 1. Who teaches and promotes hatred and violence toward any and all residents of Israel.
- 2. Who took control of Gaza after Israel withdrew and instead of focusing on creating better lives for the Palestinian's living there,
 - Proceeded in throwing alive Fatah Palestinian leaders off of high-rise roofs,
 - Spent untold amounts of funds to turn Gaza into a military fortress using hospitals, schools and mosques for military purposes and a huge underground tunnel network all ultimately designed to attack Israeli civilians, while using Palestinian Civilians as Hamas's protective cover to hide behind or underneath as they fired rockets into Israel.
- 3. Who has launched thousands of rockets into Israel with the intention of murdering any and all innocent civilians.

- 4. Who launched aerial incendiary balloons to catch Israels planted forest on fire.
- 5. Who launched the brutal, murderous, viscous attack on October 7 attack on innocent Israelis?
- 6. Who promotes the rape of women and young girls as legitimate acts of war.
- 7. Who took hundreds of civilian hostages from Israel back to Gaza
- 8. Who has been shown to lie to the press about what is actually happening in Gaza
 - Blaming Israel for killing 500+ innocent Palestinian civilians in an attack on a hospital when they knew the attack was caused by one of their own rockets blowing up in midair and discharging its pay load of hot burning fuel on those sheltering in the hospital parking lot area.
 Western media was eager to broadcast what Hamas and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad stated without having any proof.
- Who proudly displayed the atrocities done to innocent people in Israel on social media, and paraded many hostages in front of crowds of cheering Gazans.

Why didn't the Sebastopol City Council make a resolution against Hamas before, versus now, after Hamas started the war. Why didn't the Sebastopol City Council pass a Resolution condemning the October 7 massacre, the raping of women, the mutilation of men, women and children in their homes, the taking and still holding innocent men women and children as hostages.

A state of war is ongoing between Israel and Hamas in Gaza. Many innocent people are suffering and have died. I am sad and disturbed that this is happening. However, I feel that this could all come to an end if Hamas would release innocent hostages and eliminate its military capabilities. Maybe the Sebastopol City Council could pass a resolution stating that, or maybe the City Council of Sebastopol could refocus their time and energy to items that pertain to local issues that affect Sebastopol Citizens, versus international and locally divisive resolutions such as the one before the council now.

Thank You,

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