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To: <u>City Council; Mary Gourley</u>

Cc: Sandra Maurer; Stephen Zollman; Diana Rich; Neysa Hinton; Jill McLewis

Subject: Please put a ceasefire back onto your agenda

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2024 1:41:02 PM

Attachments: Sebastopol Supports a Ceasefire Infographic.pdf

## Dear City Staff and Council,

I am writing again as a member of the Sebastopol community, and as a mother to a young son going to school in Sebastopol. I urge you to put a ceasefire back onto the agenda. The support for this simple measure is overwhelming, as demonstrated in the attached infographic, which was made by compiling all the public comments from the meeting when you pulled it from the agenda. As noted in the attachment, since the resolution was pulled from the February 20th agenda, at least 2,146 people have died in Gaza, and another 3,964 have been injured. This does not count the numerous bodies buried in the rubble of bombed out homes, schools and buildings where they took refuge. Please adopt the balanced ceasefire adopted by Cotati, which was passed unanimously. This resolution promotes peace. Peace unites us, it doesn't divide us. War divides us. To say otherwise goes against the principles of peace that Sebastopol stands on.

I implore you put this resolution back on the agenda, and pass it at your next meeting. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Margaret DeMatteo

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