

From: [City Council](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Ceasefire
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From: Robyn Prusky [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 6:38 AM
To: City Council <citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.gov>
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Please don't call for a ceasefire. Has the board ever called for a ceasefire in any other war?

Sometimes we have to have the humility to say that we don't know enough to have an opinion.

There's a lot of history to understand before statements are made. The statistics that are published are complex. Are they real? There is no free press in Palestine. Civilians held hostages. Hamas trains children from the age of 13. These are just a couple of many examples of the complexity.

In our school district, the Superintendent, Maite Iturri, has done a great job asking teachers to stay away from this very complex topic. What she has done is working. There are no protests, no hate, and no division between the children. That is what it looks like when leaders focus on what is important.

This is not why we voted for you. This is not a local issue. If you look around at the emotion and anger on both sides, that will tell you this is partisan. In places where these resolutions pass, reports of antisemitism have skyrocketed. How will you feel about the children in Sebastopol, if they get harassed or hurt after your resolution?

There has been a massive uptick in anti-Semitism since October 7th. I ask again, please don't call for a ceasefire. Nothing will be accomplished by it in the Middle East. A call for a ceasefire by your board can only cause division, stress, and harm to children in our community.

Thank you,
A Mother with Jewish Children in Your Community

