From:	City Council
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Subject:	RE: Support for a Ceasefire Resolution
Date:	Tuesday, April 2, 2024 8:44:00 AM

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From: Terra Emerson
Sent: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 8:00 AM
To: City Council <citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.gov>
Subject: Support for a Ceasefire Resolution

Dear City Council Members,

I am a Sebastopol resident and I strongly urge you to pass a ceasefire resolution for Sebastopol. I have lived and worked in Sebastopol since 2011. I have always appreciated that our town prides itself on standing up for peace and justice and this is an opportunity to do so in a meaningful way.

The extreme violence and mass starvation that is being enacted against the Palestinian people is unconscionable. More than 30,000 Palestinians have been killed. Just today we learned that seven aid workers from World Central Kitchen were killed in an airstrike while delivering food to the Palestinian people. Now, World Central Kitchen is pausing its aid operations, which will greatly impact an already dire humanitarian crisis.

The fact that the United States is providing funding and weapons makes us complicit in genocide. When we look back on this period of world history, will we be able to say that we stood on the side of peace and justice or that we remained silent?

Calling for a ceasefire does not infringe upon the true safety of Jewish people. We can support the safety of our Jewish community at home while calling for an end to the indiscriminate bombing and intentional starvation of Palestinian people in Gaza.

This is an opportunity for Sebastopol to stand up for peace and to join the Cities of Cotati, Oakland, and San Francisco in passing a ceasefire resolution and showing our state and national officials that we do not support the war in Gaza.

Please be brave and support this resolution.

Thank you for your attention,

Terra Emerson