

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-XX**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL CALLING FOR AN IMMEDIATE DE-ESCALATION AND PERMANENT CEASE-FIRE IN ISRAEL AND THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES AND A JUST RESOLUTION OF THE PALESTINIAN ISRAELI CONFLICT**

**RECITALS:**

WHEREAS, all human life is precious, and the targeting of civilians, no matter their faith or ethnicity, is a violation of international humanitarian law;

WHEREAS, between October 7 and today, armed violence has

- claimed lives of about 1,440 Israelis, including 580 soldiers and over 800 civilians, and wounded about 5,500; and
- claimed lives of nearly 30,000 Palestinians, 70 percent of them women and children, and wounded almost 70,000 more; and
- claimed lives of 88 journalists, including 83 Palestinian, 2 Israeli, and 3 Lebanese

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of additional lives in Gaza are at imminent risk of death due to starvation, disease, and lack of medical care if a cease-fire is not achieved, and humanitarian aid is not delivered without delay; and

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2024, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) ordered Israel to take action to prevent acts of genocide in its war in Gaza, to take steps to improve the humanitarian crisis for Palestinian civilians in Gaza, and to prevent and punish any public incitement to commit genocide against Palestinians in Gaza and ordered Hamas and other armed groups to release the hostages without conditions; and

WHEREAS, the United States Government holds immense diplomatic and appropriations powers to save Palestinian and Israeli lives by compelling an end to the senseless killing.

**ENACTMENTS:**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. The City of Flagstaff calls upon our US Congressional delegation in the Senate and House of Representatives, to join us in urging the Biden administration to immediately call for and facilitate de-escalation and a permanent cease-fire to end the violence.

SECTION 2. The City of Flagstaff calls upon the Biden administration to promptly send and facilitate the entry of humanitarian assistance into Gaza at the scale needed to provide for all the needs of those living there.

SECTION 3. The City of Flagstaff calls upon the Biden administration to support and ensure a just resolution of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict that guarantees the safety, security, property, and

human rights of all parties to the conflict.

SECTION 3. The City of Flagstaff supports all of its Jewish, Muslim, and Arab residents and condemns Islamophobia, antisemitism, racism, and xenophobia.

SECTION 4. The City of Flagstaff will send copies of this resolution to the President of the United States and Flagstaff's Congressional Delegation.

SECTION 5. Effective Date.

This resolution shall be immediately effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Flagstaff this [day] day of [Month], 2024.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY