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Sent: Friday, January 19, 2024 7:00 PM
To: Oscar Villegas; Lucas Frerichs; Mary Vixie Sandy; Jim Provenza; Angel Barajas
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Subject: Please do not schedule a hearing on an Israel-Hamas Ceasefire Resolution

Dear Yolo County Board of Supervisors:

My wife and I have been residents of Davis and Yolo County since 1979. We both attended UC Davis, worked professionally for over 45 years and raised our three children in Davis: participating probably like many families in the community, with a sense of pride and positive involvement. Over the past 45 years, the Davis/Yolo County community has faced numerous significant situations including homelessness, affordable housing, Covid, wildfires, flooding and questions on sustainable future growth.

Our community continues to face significant local challenges. How we deal with a changing climate, adopt housing that is affordable to all our community members and ensure equitable access to services are major issues facing us as a community and you as the Board of Supervisors. Certainly, we have more than enough issues facing us and do not need to take on international issues such as a proposed Israel-Hamas Ceasefire Resolution.

I'm writing this email to urge you not to schedule a hearing on an Israel-Hamas Ceasefire Resolution. I'm urging this because I believe we as a community have other more local and immediate problems to deal with and also because I believe such a resolution will only act to divide the Davis/Yolo County community. In addition, while any such resolution will have no effect on what is happening in Israel or Gaza, it may likely spur anti-Semitic feelings in the community. I cannot believe a resolution focused on issues we cannot hope to resolve in Israel and Gaza will be helpful to anyone in Davis or Yolo County and may instead only cause friction and hostility in the community.

Please do not schedule a hearing on an Israel-Hamas Ceasefire Resolution.

Sincerely,

George Simons

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