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On October 7 Hamas, a terrorist organization, violated the cease fire that existed between Israel and Gaza. Though they had periodically fired rockets into Israel, Israel typically did not respond in kind. On October 7, with the beheadings, rapes, and torture, killing children in front of their parents and parents in front of their children, they fully expected Israel to respond. Indeed Israel did.

The suffering of the Palestinian people is sad and unbearable. With Hamas keeping all food and medical supplies to itself and shooting their own people, this is made even worse. With their one billion dollars in profits (from Iran, from taxes they levy on Palestinians) Hamas could have done more to repair roads, build schools and have their people prosper. Instead they concentrated on fermenting hatred.

You are playing into the hands of Hamas if you pass a cease fire resolution. Better concentrate on repairing our roads, enhancing our schools, and protecting your residents from antisemitism. Please do not contribute further to anti-Semitic fervor that is burgeoning in our community. Too many people do not differentiate between the Jews in their community and hold all Jews responsible for Israeli decisions. Let's keep Davis free of hatred and keep all residents safe.

A few years ago the Immam in our community called for the killing of every Jew, "behind every tree and under every rock".

Please do not unleash this again.

Respectfully,  
Varda Topkis

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