One Year After Pittsburgh, Gather, Remember, Act.

Thank You to These Ohio Mayors and Municipal Leaders for Standing with AJC Against Antisemitism

We, the undersigned mayors and municipal leaders of Ohio, join AJC in honoring the memory of the Pittsburgh synagogue shooting victims. When hate rears its ugly head anywhere in our state, we will rise to confront it with solidarity and determination. We stand against antisemitism and all forms of hatred.

October 27, 2019, marks one year since the horrific events at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, that tragically took the life of eleven worshipers and injured seven more in the deadliest antisemitic attack in American history. Only months later, a second deadly attack on worshipers occurred during the Jewish holiday of Passover, at the Chabad of Poway synagogue in California, in which one person was killed and three were injured.

The FBI's most recent report on hate crimes reveals a 37% increase in antisemitic hate crimes in the United States. FBI statistics demonstrate that Jewish people and Jewish institutions, both religious and

communal, were the most frequently targeted religious group in 2019, accounting for almost 60% of all religious-based hate crime incidents.

As antisemitic incidents, hate speech, and threats have increased in recent years, we commit to work within and across our communities to confront hate and bias crimes. We recognize that antisemitism represents a unique and enduring millennia-old loathing of the Jewish people.

Hence, we, the undersigned, call on people of good conscience in Ohio and around the globe to #ShowUpForShabbat on Friday, October 25, or Saturday, October 26, 2019. Let us express our solidarity as we fill synagogues and raise our collective voice to promote a world free of antisemitism, hate, and bigotry.

Furthermore, we, the undersigned, do hereby declare October 27, 2019, as a day of action to combat antisemitism and reaffirm our commitment to opposing all forms of hatred and discrimination and to ensuring the safety and dignity of our residents and communities.

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