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New Motions

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of New Motion Number 2.

2. Moved by Councillor Ridge

Seconded by Councillor Hassan

Whereas universal freedom and peace for all humans is an inherent right under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and as proclaimed by the Ontario Human Rights Code; and

Whereas the current Israel-Gaza conflict has created profound grief, fear and hurt in our community as we grieve the tragic loss of innocent lives on both sides of the conflict; and

Whereas all lives are equally valuable and important, and in the midst of conflict we must also recall our common humanity and agree that all loss of innocent life is a tragedy; and

Whereas there has been an increasing amount of Islamophobia and Antisemitism both here in Kingston and throughout the country, causing concerns of safety for members of the Muslim and Jewish communities; and

Whereas an important part of building a diverse, inclusive community is to denounce all forms of hate, including Antisemitism and Islamophobia;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Kingston City Council formally expresses its grief and regret at the loss of all innocent life in the Israel-Gaza conflict; and

That Kingston City Council formally denounces both Antisemitism and Islamophobia in all forms in our community and expresses its support for all members of both our Muslim and Jewish communities; and

That Kingston City Council continues to lead by example in providing an environment where respectful freedom of expression, dialogue, and assembly within the boundaries set by the Charter of Rights and Freedoms is encouraged without fear of losing employment or reprisal; and

That Kingston City Council encourages all community partners to work with City staff in helping to distribute an anti-hate package of information including resources available to support individuals and communities experiencing hate crimes; and

That a copy of this motion be sent to Mark Gerretsen, M.P. Kingston and the Islands.

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Communications

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Communication Numbers 05-123 and 05-126.

05-123 Correspondence received from Romulo Severino with respect to Notice of Objection for 71 Montgomery Boulevard, dated January 21, 2024.

(Distributed to all members of Council on January 22, 2024)

05-126 Correspondence received from Maurice Breslow with respect to Corporate Carbon Target, dated January 23, 2024.

(Distributed to all members of Council on January 23, 2024)