

Board Agenda Item 5

DATE: October 24, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Steve Brandau, Supervisor, District 2

SUBJECT: A Resolution condemning the Hamas terror attacks of October 7, 2023

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Adopt a Resolution condemning the Hamas terror attacks of October 7, 2023.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

Your Board may choose not to adopt the proposed resolution or choose to modify the resolution as written.

DISCUSSION:

On October 7, 2023, the nation of Israel was struck by a series of terror attacks perpetrated by Hamas. The attacks included numerous acts of indiscriminate and inhumane cruelty against innocent civilians.

The atrocities inflicted upon Jewish people through these attacks are some of the worst seen since the Holocaust. Many in the local Jewish community have family or friends killed or affected by the terror attacks. Further, there has been a rise in antisemitic rhetoric and attacks on Jews around the nation, including recent vandalism of Fresno County synagogues and businesses.

Jewish-American communities are important threads of our national fabric, including here in Fresno County. Thousands of Jewish-Americans call Fresno County home, and synagogues and Jewish-owned businesses are proud parts of Fresno County communities.

The Board of Supervisors should make it known that they stand with the victims of the attacks and their loved ones in their time of crisis and condemn acts of hate and antisemitism.

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

Resolution

CAO ANALYST:

Salvador Espino