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Dear ,

We are writing to address the upcoming anti-Israel protest scheduled to take place in 12 Corners on Friday, February 16 and Sunday, February 18. As an organization committed to the safety and well-being of our community members, the Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester takes security matters seriously. Our primary concern is to ensure the safety of students and families.

We have been working closely with the Brighton Police Department, Brighton Schools and the Town of Brighton all of whom are carefully monitoring the situation. Brighton police will be on hand to make sure dismissal is safe for our students and families. Although we do not see an imminent threat, BCSD is completely supportive of parents acting in the best interest of their children, including picking up your child from school prior to dismissal.


Please note:

- **Safety Precautions:** Be vigilant and aware of your surroundings. If you observe any potentially unsafe situations, please report them promptly to security or law enforcement. Avoid protest areas, if possible.
- **Avoidance of Confrontation:** We advise community members to avoid confrontations with protestors. In the event of disagreements or the threat of violence, it is recommended to seek assistance from law enforcement on the scene or call 911.
- **Information Sharing:** Share relevant information with friends and family to ensure you are aware of what is happening in the area.
- **Community Support:** The Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester is committed to providing support to any community members who may feel distressed or concerned about the protest. Please reach out to us if you need

assistance or resources.

We certainly recognize and support both the freedom of speech and assembly. It is deeply disturbing that adults are choosing school dismissal times to intimidate our Jewish students and families. We understand from earlier in the week that language and signs used by the protestors was disturbing. The choice of time and place is clearly an act of antisemitism, and we continue to monitor these events. Mark Henderson is working closely with law enforcement and these situations are being taken seriously by civic leadership in our community.

Sincerely,



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