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To our Pennsylvania Congressional Delegation:

We, the undersigned state elected representatives from across Pennsylvania, believe that all of us, no matter our religion, ethnicity, or nationality, deserve a life of safety and freedom for ourselves and our families. We are united with our constituents in grieving the violence against thousands of Israelis and Palestinians over the last few weeks. As of November 18th, according to the AP, over 1,200 Israelis and over 11,470 Palestinians, two-thirds of whom are women and children, have been killed, and about 2,700 Palestinians are reported missing. Approximately 240 Israelis are being held hostage by Hamas, including 32 children. Every life is sacred; one life lost is too many.

Violence against more civilians, including children, will not make the Israeli and Palestinian people safer or bring loved ones home. Violence abroad has also brought us increased incidences of Islamophobic and anti-Semitic hate crimes here at home. We know violence only begets more violence and human suffering.

The U.S. federal government has the diplomatic power to intervene and curb this violence, and, as members of Congress, you are in a unique position to elicit this response. To this end, we urge you, our colleagues in the Pennsylvania Congressional Delegation, to add your voices to the chorus of calls for de-escalation and a ceasefire, for the release of all hostages, and for a humanitarian aid response in Gaza. Our goal is to end the current violence and prevent any further loss of life.

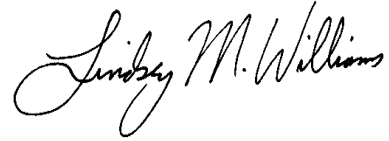
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