



Dear all,

We are devastated by the murder of two young Israeli diplomats at an event in Washington D.C. last night. May their memories be a blessing.

We know violent acts like this raise questions about security. We have been in direct contact with law enforcement authorities. While there is no credible threat directed at the Kaplen JCC (or any Jewish institutions in our area), we and local law enforcement are on heightened alert and have taken additional precautions. In addition, various steps will be undertaken as warranted that we do not disclose to the public, in accordance with our security protocols.

The Kaplen JCC's highest priority is the safety and security of our children, families, members, and guests. We are deeply committed to disrupting antisemitism, hate, and violence in any form.

We will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as needed. Please reach out to Sue Gelsey, Interim CEO (sgelsey@jccotp.org) with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Michael Kollender, Board Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sue", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Sue Gelsey, Interim CEO