Holocaust Education Assistance Grant Program Bill HB0071

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Good afternoon,

My name is Ayo H. Kimathi. In 2023, I testified against many bills proposed in Maryland that were seeking to protect Jews from criticism or make Marylanders more sympathetic to Jewish interests. They represented some of the most dangerous legislation of the 21st Century. One of the letters I sent to the legislature to oppose these pernicious bills is included at the bottom of this document for reference.

I am against HB0071 because it funds indoctrinating American youth against true history and in favor of false narratives. In short, my primary issues are:

- Americans saved Jews from whatever they were facing in WWII. We need to be thanked by Jews for the lives and resources we expending in saving their lives. We should not be spending money to hear sob stories about what we saved them from. They should be honoring our children as a thank you for saving their lives.
- 2. This is America. The only (2) groups of people who can rightfully claim "The Holocaust" are Afrikan people and Native Americans. We both suffered holocausts here. However, there is no such thing as a holocaust suffered by Jews in America. This is the truth. Any funds spent on holocaust remembrance in America must go to Black or Native American people. At best it's the inappropriate use of public funds. At worst, it's theft of American citizens' resources based on false pretenses and misinformation.

HB0071 is another step in the wrong direction that gives Jews a false sense of protection from criticism as they hide behind their misinterpretation of WWII. American citizens are the heroes of WWII as it relates to the Jews and we don't owe them anything. I don't want my children being taught these horrid Jewish narratives. They are not true and don't promote a pride in the American spirit.

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"Protect the Jews" Bills

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Good evening,

My name is Ayo H. Kimathi. I am a Prince Georges County, MD resident.

This email is to contextualize a few bills that are collectively designed as part of a larger effort to create special treatment for Jews that is neither appropriate nor legal. These bills seek to give Jews a special status of American citizenship above and beyond average American citizens. These bills are dangerous and are moving dangerously close to sedition.

I will briefly lay out how these bills don't serve the interests of Marylanders:

HB1075 (SB785) - Office of Domestic Terrorism Response

After reading the bill, listening to the sponsors' testimony, and testifying against it myself, I am clear of the bills' intent. It's a Jewish proposed bill to create an official Maryland State Office where (3) Jews will be appointed and paid to monitor information being spread about what Jews are doing in America and the world, and reclassify these 1st Amendment protected actions as "domestic terrorism." And it is obvious from their testimony that anything they think is unfavorable information and/or perspectives about Jewish activities in America will be classified this way. This is unconstitutional and gives Jews too much power to criminalize behaviors they personally deem to be offensive to Jews even as they are protected rights under the US Constitution.

Additionally, the domestic terrorism issues most Americans are concerned about are:

- 1. Overreach of Law Enforcement aka Police Brutality (mostly a Black concern)
- 2. Pedoterrorism (sexualization of children through the school system)
- 3. Health Terrorism (no jab, no job pressured/forced injections of citizens)
- 4. Constitutional Terrorism (1st, 2nd, & 13th Amendment encroachment)

This bill attacks the 1st Amendment directly and is unconstitutional based on their expressed interests in testimony.

HB1243 (SB840) - Protecting Against Hate Crimes Grant Fund: Establishment This bill is another Jew-sponsored bill to grant Maryland taxpayer funds to ". . . make grants to nonprofit organizations, including faith-based organizations, to provide security enhancements to protect against hate crimes. . . with priority given

to applicants that can demonstrate a high prevalence of hate crimes against members of and institutions representing the applicant's faith. . ."

This is an obvious conflict of interest. Jews involved in sponsoring this bill have already indicated that Jews are facing the highest rise in "hate crimes." If bill HB1075 passes and they are the ones commissioned to identify what classifies as "domestic terrorism" while working directly with DHS, they will be able to tailor the narrative to essentially take the entire pot of money and give it to themselves. Other people would have to prove an affiliation to a non-profit or a faith-based institution and convince the Jews who're in charge of the money that their abuse classifies as a "hate crime." Then, even if the Jews classify their abuse as a hate crime, they would have to wait for the Jews to determine how much money they get. This is totally biased. And there is no place in this equation that a Black person who is attacked with a hate crime qualifies for money based on our Race being the catalyst for the crime. This is outright racist.

HB1242 (SB841) - Student Field Trips - Funding

This bill attempts to marry the Black experience in America to the Jewish experience in Germany. It's terribly offensive. Money is being requested to be set aside for field trips to the *Holocaust Museum* and the *Jewish Museum of Maryland* and (2) Black museums. However, the *Blacks n Wax Museum* that speaks directly to our enslavement, great achievements, Jim Crow and our lynching experience in America was left off of the list.

American children should not be spending time visiting the Holocaust Museum with taxpayers' money. America won World War II and saved the Jews from their holocaust in Germany. Our victory in World War II is no basis for American mourning. Rather, it is a cause for celebration. The *Blacks and Wax Museum* has the history of the American holocaust of Black people. America didn't come to save us from slavery. America enslaved us. We can mourn that and study that history as a matter of priority in American history. But World War II is no cause for American mourning. Our children are being misused for Jewish personal interests and it's un-American.

HB1244 (SB842) - Maryland Holocaust Remembrance Day

This is entirely inappropriate for American people. It is like asking someone who saved a woman from being raped to mourn the fact that she was almost raped. The person who saved the woman from the rape is a hero. America is the hero in World War II. We saved the Jews. Why are we supposed to remember their suffering? Shouldn't they be thanking us for stopping their suffering?

What's more insulting to me as a Black man is that "The Holocaust" in the US can only refer to either the Native Americans or Black people. We are the ones who suffered holocausts in this country. There is no American Jewish holocaust unless

we are talking about Levy Andrew (the Jewish merchant who sold General Jefferey Amherst the blankets with smallpox to exterminate Pontiac's Alliance in 1766) or the Jewish merchants who financed the Transatlantic slave trade or Judah P. Benjamin (2nd in command of the Confederacy aka "The Brains of the Confederacy" who fought to keep Black people in slavery) or William Levy who brokered the deal to end Reconstruction or Louis B. Mayer who distributed Birth of a Nation throughout America causing the 2nd rise of the Ku Klux Klan and major era of lynching in this country, etc...

These (4) bills represent a recipe for disaster for Maryland and its citizens. All of them should be rejected as they represent an attempt to commandeer history to falsely make Jews victims of America, use taxpayer money to fund their assault on the 1st Amendment, miseducate our children into believing we lost WWII, and steal Black people's birth right. These bills are inappropriate at best and unconstitutional at their worst.

For these reasons, we request that you vote against HB1075, HB1243, HB1242, and HB1244.

Thank you,

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