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### **A Principled and Consistent Force Against Antisemitism**

As part of our founding values, the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), the nation's largest Muslim civil rights and advocacy organization, has always condemned hate.

Because of our values, we have specifically and repeatedly condemned antisemitism throughout our 30 years of existence. We also regularly work with Jewish civil and human rights organizations, and benefit from numerous Jewish team members at the local and national level.

Like other civil and human rights groups, we reject the false notion that advocating for Palestinian human rights is an act of bigotry. It is crucial to differentiate between unacceptable antisemitic hate and legitimate opposition to what even Israeli human rights organizations have described as the Israeli government's human rights abuses against the Palestinian people.

This brief document, citing examples from 1999-2023, offers only a snapshot of CAIR's long record of rejecting antisemitism. This document is not comprehensive.

#### **The past: CAIR takes a principled stand against antisemitism and terrorism against the Jewish community here and abroad**

For decades, CAIR has had a standing statement on our website condemning terrorist attacks committed by Hamas and other designated terrorist groups.

CAIR has condemned attacks on a California Jewish Center (8/10/1999), terror attacks in Jerusalem and Haifa (12/2/2001) and terror attacks on Jewish Passover celebrations (3/28/2002).

CAIR has also condemned an Iranian cartoon contest mocking the Holocaust (2/08/2006), an antisemitic article published in a British Columbia Muslim newsletter (1/12/2004) and called on an Arab publication that printed excerpts of the protocols of the Elders of Zion to apologize (11/08/2002). CAIR has condemned antisemitic incidents in Chicago (2/17/2006), Houston (2/24/2005) and Calgary, Canada (8/25/2004).

CAIR also condemned an apparent bias attack on a rabbinical assistant in Brooklyn (3/20/2008), racist and anti-Semitic comments made by Columbus, Ohio Police Officer (8/28/2007), an antisemitic attack on a Penn State Jewish student (2/29/2008) and the vandalism of a Chicago synagogue (4/02/2007).



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[CAIR condemned a shooting incident at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum \(06/10/2009\)](#). After CAIR pointed it out, the Virginia [Department of Motor Vehicles recalled a “Heil Hitler” license plate \(04/22/2010\)](#). [CAIR denounced vandalism perpetrated against a Chicago synagogue \(09/22/2010\)](#), [antisemitic attacks on Anaheim councilman \(10/03/2013\)](#), an [attack on a Kansas Jewish community center \(04/12/2014\)](#), and [stood with Maryland’s Jewish community after the hate vandalism of a synagogue \(04/08/2015\)](#).

[CAIR expressed solidarity with the Jewish community after an Iowa synagogue was vandalized \(05/12/2016\)](#). CAIR [condemned anti-black, anti-gay, and anti-Semitic letters sent to seven businesses and the Israeli consulate in New York City \(10/6/17\)](#).

[CAIR denounced the shootings at Pittsburgh’s Tree of Life Synagogue \(10/27/2018\)](#), [anti-Semitic vandalism targeting a Brooklyn synagogue \(11/02/18\)](#), and [vandalism of a Holocaust memorial \(10/9/19\)](#).

[CAIR strongly condemned anti-Black, antisemitic and Islamophobic remarks by then GOP Candidate Marjorie Greene \(06/19/2020\)](#). CAIR condemned [antisemitic material distributed to Idaho and Maryland homes and expressed support for the Jewish Community \(12/21/2021\)](#). We also [condemned a neo-Nazi group’s attempt to promote antisemitic hate in Iowa \(12/30/2022\)](#).

### **The present: CAIR continues taking a principled stand against antisemitism**

CAIR condemned the distribution of antisemitic flyers in [Missouri’s St. Louis County \(5/10/2023\)](#), [Louisiana \(5/02/2023\)](#), [Wisconsin \(3/09/2023\)](#) and [Kentucky \(4/12/2023\)](#).

CAIR [condemned antisemitic neo-Nazi vandalism targeting Michigan’s Jewish community in Oakland County \(5/01/2023\)](#), [multiple incidents of antisemitic vandalism in Queens, New York \(3/24/2023\)](#). The organization further condemned antisemitic vandalism on the [Stanford University campus \(3/14/2023\)](#), the distribution of [antisemitic flyers in two neighborhoods in Kent County, Mich \(3/08/2023\)](#), antisemitic materials to [businesses in Cincinnati \(3/06/2023\)](#), distribution of antisemitic flyers to homes in [West Virginia’s Kanawha County \(3/02/2023\)](#).

CAIR welcomed a hate crime charge brought against a suspect in an [allegedly antisemitic incident in Maryland \(2/27/2023\)](#) and several alleged antisemitic incidents that took place on the campus of the [University of Denver. \(2/15/2023\)](#)