

## **Jewish Former Members of Congress Support Vice President Harris in 2024**

October 20, 2024

**We, the undersigned Jewish former members of the United States Congress, proudly support Kamala Harris as the next President of the United States.**

We understand the gravity of this moment, in the United States, in the Middle East, and on a global scale. It is a moment of existential threat to Israel, and one when antisemitism and acts of hatred against Jews continue to plague our nation and the world.

**While in Congress, we unwaveringly backed a strong U.S-Israel relationship, voted consistently to send essential aid to Israel, our foremost strategic ally in the region, and denounced and worked to combat antisemitism. To ensure and carry forward American leadership on these challenges, we know the Harris-Walz ticket is the only responsible choice in November.**

**Vice President Harris is the only candidate in this race who has been a steadfast and reliable ally to the Jewish community and to Israel.** Only Vice President Harris has worked for years – alongside her husband, Second Gentleman Doug Emhoff – to combat antisemitism and dismantle hatred in all of its forms, including by launching the first-ever National Strategy to Combat Antisemitism. Only the Vice President has consistently condemned the white supremacists and bigots who target the Jewish community, rather than dining with some of them at Mar-a-Largo.

**The Vice President has similarly been resolute in her support of Israel throughout her career, including now in its war against the terrorist regime, Hamas.** She has spoken clearly about the horrors and violence of October 7th, and condemned in particular the sexual violence and brutality inflicted on innocent Israelis. Throughout this war, Vice President Harris has made clear that Israel has a right to defend itself, has supported delivering essential security aid to our ally, and pledged to continue these policies as President.

For the good of the American Jewish community, for the good of Israel, for the good of our great nation and for the good of the world, we must elect Kamala Harris and Tim Walz as the next President and Vice President of the United States

Signed,

Rep. Steve Israel  
Rep. Nita Lowey  
Rep. Gary Ackerman  
Rep. Barney Frank  
Rep. Martin Frost  
Rep. Paul Hodes  
Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman  
Rep. Ron Klein  
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Rep. Marjorie Margolies  
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Rep. Larry Smith  
Rep. Henry Waxman  
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