



City of Belfast
Resolution in Support of an Immediate and Permanent Ceasefire
in Gaza and Israel

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Belfast Maine recognize the importance of peace and security for all communities and nations around the world regardless of national, ethnic or religious affiliations and believe that all human life is precious; and

WHEREAS, since October 7, 2023, armed violence has claimed the lives of, and wounded tens of thousands of individuals in Gaza and Israel; and

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2024, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) ordered Israel to do everything in its power to reduce acts of genocide and to provide immediate credible humanitarian assistance to Palestinians in Gaza; and

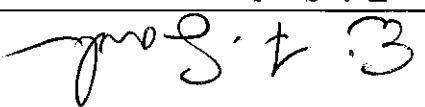
WHEREAS, an immediate ceasefire by all parties is the only way to save additional lives in Gaza and Israel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Belfast, Maine join with representatives of 48 other cities in calling on our President and Congressional Members to call for an immediate and permanent ceasefire by all parties to urgently end the current violence in Gaza and Israel; and to provide immediate credible humanitarian assistance to Palestinians in Gaza.

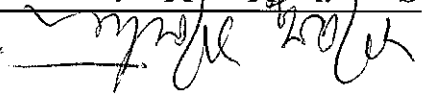
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the offices of United States Maine Representatives Jared Golden and Chellie Pingree, United States Senators Susan Collins and Angus King, and United States President Joseph Biden to use their position and influence to end this violence.

In the form of a motion the Belfast City Council passes this resolution.

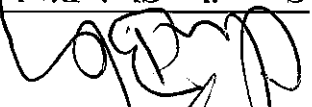
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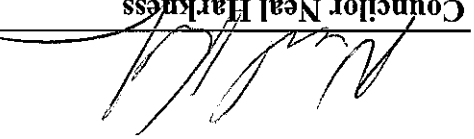
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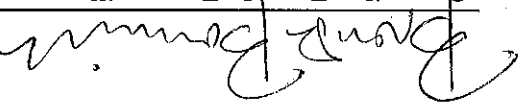
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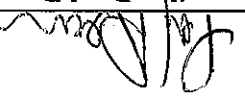
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Councillor Brenda Bonneville



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