



Resolution of the United Hebrew Congregation Board of Trustees

WHEREAS, in the past few days, two of our sister Reform Jewish congregations and one Conservative congregation in other cities have been the victims of despicable acts of violence;

WHEREAS, in late December 2008, an unidentified person threw a Molotov cocktail against the building of Temple Sholom in Chicago, resulting in a small fire but, thankfully, no injuries and minimal physical damage;

WHEREAS, a few days later someone threw large rocks through stained glass windows of Temple Beth-El in Knoxville, Tennessee, and someone committed a similar act of vandalism against Heska Amuna Synagogue in Knoxville, resulting in physical damage to both buildings but, again, thankfully no injuries;

WHEREAS, United Hebrew Congregation regards an attack against any synagogue as an attack against itself and against all synagogues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the United Hebrew Congregation Board of Trustees offers its sincere condolences to the directly affected congregations, expresses its wish for swift and full recovery from the emotional trauma that such attacks would naturally cause, and states that it hopes the individuals responsible for these acts will soon be brought to justice.

The Secretary of the Board of Trustees is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Presidents and Rabbis of Temple Sholom, Temple Beth-El, and Heska Amuna Synagogue.

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Richard S. Cornfeld
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leslie B. Yoffie", written over a horizontal line.

Leslie B. Yoffie
Secretary

January 7, 2009