



Proclamation

Brighton Stands Against Antisemitic Violence

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2025, a deplorable antisemitic attack occurred in Boulder, Colorado, when an individual used a makeshift flamethrower to target participants in the Run for Their Lives Walk, a peaceful demonstration to raise awareness for hostages held by Hamas in Gaza since the October 7, 2023 terrorist attacks against Israel, resulting in injuries to eight individuals, including two with severe burns requiring emergency airlift to a medical facility; and

WHEREAS, this act of violence, carried out on the eve of the Jewish holiday of Shavuot, was a deliberate and hateful assault on members of the Jewish community and their allies, intensifying fears amid a documented rise in antisemitic incidents across the United States; and

WHEREAS, antisemitism poses a growing threat in Colorado and around the world, manifesting in physical violence, harassment, vandalism, and hateful rhetoric, including dangerous stereotypes that falsely blame Jewish people for societal issues; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton firmly condemns all forms of hate and reaffirms its unwavering commitment to fostering a safe, respectful, and inclusive community for residents of all faiths, backgrounds, and beliefs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton stands in solidarity with the Jewish community and all those affected by this senseless act of violence, recognizing the fundamental right of every individual to gather peacefully and live free from fear, intimidation, or discrimination.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Gregory Mills, Mayor of the City of Brighton, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby condemn the antisemitic attack that occurred in Boulder and express our solidarity with the Jewish community. We reaffirm our commitment to standing against hatred in all its forms and to ensuring that Brighton remains a community where diversity is celebrated, human dignity is upheld, and all people can live free from fear and discrimination.

DATED this 17th day of June 2025

CITY OF BRIGHTON

Gregory Mills, Mayor
Peter Padilla, Mayor Pro Tem
Chris Fiedler
Tom Green
Jan Pawlowski
Jim Snyder
Ann Taddeo
Lloyd Worth

ATTEST:

Natalie Hoel, City Clerk