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**\*\*\*STATEMENT\*\*\***

**San Francisco Human Rights Commission Emphatically  
Condemns Recent Attacks on Jewish Community Centers  
and Cemeteries Calling Such Attacks Unequivocal Acts of  
Hatred and Anti-Semitism**

*Bomb threat to San Francisco's Anti-Defamation League was one of numerous such threats called into Jewish community centers and schools in more than a dozen states around the country on Monday*

*In the past four weeks over 100 bomb threats against Jewish community centers have resulted in the urgent evacuation of children and adults to secure their safety.*

*Jewish cemeteries across the nation have been desecrated with Nazi and other anti-Semitic vandalism.*

**(San Francisco, CA)** The San Francisco Human Rights Commission (SF-HRC) issued the following statement and 'call for action' in the wake of recent attacks, bomb threats, desecration and vandalism on Jewish community centers and cemeteries:

"The San Francisco Human Rights Commission emphatically condemns the recent surge of attacks, bomb threats and vandalism to Jewish community centers and cemeteries across our country. We stand in solidarity with the Jewish community calling these horrendous incidents unequivocal acts of hatred and anti-Semitism. The very foundation of our democracy and system of liberty and justice is compromised when these occurrences go unchallenged and where they are not dealt with immediately and decisively.

These attacks on the Jewish community and the desecration of sacred Jewish landmarks are painful reminders of a history of hatred and bigotry that must never be allowed to fester again in a compassionate and socially conscious society.

We call upon local, state, and national leaders to speak out in clear indignation that this form of domestic terrorism is unacceptable and will not be tolerate under any

circumstances. In calling upon the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.”

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