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אחינו בני ישראל הנתונים בצרה ובשביה

The JCC together with the whole Jewish Community of Montreal is shocked and appalled by the terrible atrocities that befell our brethren in Israel.

In times such as these, we must all come together Ke'ish Echad U'Belev Echad in prayer to Hashem to protect and save our brothers and sisters from the murderous hands of our enemies.

We call upon all Shuls and communities in Montreal to add a special prayer or Pirkei Tehillim on behalf of our brethren. We would suggest adding Chapter 140 of Tehillim as well.

We are grateful for the outpouring of support and the condemnation of Hamas' actions from governmental, civil, and religious leaders in Quebec and Canada. We welcome the support we have received from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier François Legault and Mayor Valerie Plante.

We also wish to express our appreciation to the SPVM for their increased vigilance and monitoring of the security situation in Montreal.

We call upon our brethren across the globe to intensify our tefillas on behalf of the hostages and those injured, to support the victims and their families in whatever way possible, and to beseech Hashem that peace be restored to the region:

אחינו כל כית ישראל הנתונים כצרה וכשכיה, העוחדים כין כים וכין כיכשה, החקום ירחם עליהם ויוציאם חצרה לרוחה וחאפילה לאורה, וחשיעכוד לגאולה, השתא כעגלה וכזחן קרוכ ונאחר אחן.