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To Our Friends and Congregants,

As you know, religious institutions in this country and around the globe have been faced with increased safety concerns. Acts of hate have been on the rise and acts of extreme violence have become all too common.

Adath Shalom takes the safety and security of our congregants very seriously. In our research, we found that synagogues in our area and around the country have added security professionals during Shabbat services and religious school hours. After hearing concerns from congregants, lay leadership and clergy, the Security Committee has decided that it is time for Adath Shalom to also utilize professional security. Sadly, the recent news of vandalism at 5 Morristown area churches on November 25th, only reinforces the need for this added security and the support from all Adath Shalom congregants.

As you might expect, this will require additional expenses that were not planned for in the current year's budget. We are asking for your help in funding this expense for the balance of this fiscal year ending in June. We reached out to our current High Holiday security provider Global Mark, who services the Gottesman RTW Academy, the Federation and several local synagogues. They estimated a cost of approximately \$15,000 to provide coverage from now until the end of June.

To keep our friends, family and children safe, kindly select your appropriate commitment:

☐\$36 ☐\$54 ☐\$108 ☐\$216 ☐\$360 ☐\$1,000 ☐\$1800 ☐\$2,500 ☐Other

Please send your contribution to Synagogue Accountant Shari Hoffman. Any questions, contact Shari at shoffman@adathshalom.net.

Please note - Any unused funds will be earmarked exclusively for security related costs in next year's budget allocation.

Sincerely,

Jay Suskind, Co-President

Gary Reppen, Co-President



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