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Sheriff David Decatur
Stafford County Sheriff's Department
1225 Courthouse Rd,
Stafford, VA 22554

Dear Sheriff Decatur,

I am shocked and grieved by the senseless terrorist attacks on Israel by the Hamas terrorist organization. The loss of innocent life and disregard for human rights is painfully tragic to see. I am writing to ask if you would join me in offering some help.

Many Americans are stepping up to offer support or humanitarian relief to innocent Israelis and Palestinians. In that spirit, my office is coordinating efforts to collect surplus body armor, protective gear, and tactical equipment from local law enforcement departments that want to help the Israel Defense Forces fight terrorism in Israel and Palestine.

While I'm aware that some police departments are stretched for resources, there are many departments that have expired equipment that are required to be donated or discarded. If you have excess law enforcement protective equipment, my office will collect them and ship it to the Israel Defense Forces.

During my trip to Israel earlier this year, I met women and men who serve in the Israel Defense Forces who are willing to give their lives to maintain peace in this region of the world. They are committed to democracy and the public safety of their land, and I am proud to stand with them during this difficult time. If you're interested in participating in this effort, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason S. Miyares".

Jason S. Miyares
48th Attorney General of Virginia