Responsive Resolution: UUA General Assembly Support for October 7 Hostages

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Ballot Result from General Session IV

This Responsive Resolution was adopted. It received more than 2/3 vote of support.

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Option Votes

Adopt responsive resolution 1705 (77.0%)

Do not adopt responsive resolution 508 (23.0%)

Total 2545

Abstain 332 (13.0%)

Whereas, UUA President Rev. Dr. Sofia Betancourt's report beautifully reflected upon the profound horror and loss in the Middle East, which is amplifying growing antisemitism and anti-Arabism and islamophobia in the U.S. and beyond;

Whereas, real harm that has come to and continues to be suffered by those affected by the October 7 attack;

Whereas, 120 hostages are still missing, and only about 50 are currently believed to be alive;

Whereas, a call for recognition of only the harm on one side without regard for the other creates an environment of existential threat to Jewish Unitarian Universalists; and

Therefore be it resolved that the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association (GA of the UUA) calls for the immediate release of all Hamas held hostages. Further, the GA of the UUA acknowledges the real suffering of Jews within our association and beyond. There can be no peace and no justice unless it is for all people.