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JEWISH FEDERATION OF CINCINNATI URGES NEA TO REJECT BOYCOTT OF HOLOCAUST AND ANTI-BIAS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Cincinnati — The Jewish Federation of Cincinnati has joined our national system—alongside 86 Jewish Federations, dozens of JCRCs, and nearly 400 Jewish organizations across the country—in urging the National Education Association (NEA), America’s largest teachers’ union, to reject a resolution that would boycott the Anti-Defamation League’s widely used anti-bias and Holocaust education programs.

Known as New Business Item (NBI) 39, the resolution specifically targets educational resources such as No Place for Hate® and Echoes & Reflections—programs that have helped millions of students in thousands of schools across the U.S. recognize bias, confront antisemitism, and build safer, more inclusive school communities.

Removing the very tools that help schools foster inclusion and confront hate—especially at a time of rising fear and harassment in schools—undermines, rather than advances, the goal of justice. Antisemitic incidents in non-Jewish K–12 schools have spiked by 434% since 2020, according to the ADL’s 2024 Audit of Antisemitic Incidents. These resources are not just for Jewish students; they equip all students to understand difference, reject hate, and build empathy.

Public schools should be spaces of learning and belonging—not places where Jewish students and teachers feel silenced, excluded, or unsafe. Holocaust education, lessons about Jewish identity, and resources that combat bias belong in the classroom. Trusted programs like those developed by the ADL should not become political targets. They are essential tools for building respectful, inclusive learning environments—for everyone.

Read the full letter [here](#).

About the Jewish Federation of Cincinnati

The Jewish Federation of Cincinnati envisions an exceptional Cincinnati Jewish community and, through the community-wide strategic plan Cincinnati 2030, brings diverse groups together to build it. We raise money and use a volunteer-driven, transparent process to distribute it to the local, national, and global programs that need it most. We connect our community agencies with the leaders and expertise they need to thrive. And we work to protect Jewish security by educating the community and advocating for Israel. We do all of this to help people in need, create an engaged community, assure our Jewish future, and support the Jewish people in Cincinnati, in Israel, and throughout the world. For more information, please visit jewishcincinnati.org

About the Jewish Community Relations Council

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) is the non-partisan public affairs arm of the Jewish Federation of Cincinnati. Its mission is to protect Jewish security, recognizing that Jewish security depends on a just society for all. To achieve this mission, it advocates for the local Jewish community through Israel education; fighting antisemitism, discrimination, and racism; and building understanding with other ethnic, religious, and civic organizations. For more information, please visit jewishcincinnati.org/jcrc

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