A Resolution to Condemn Anti-Semitism in the NJCU Community

Whereas in 2010 the Department of State adopted the "Working definition" of anti-Semitism promulgated by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance, which states that "Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities;"¹

Whereas the U.S. Department of State outlines the following contemporary examples:

- "Calling for, aiding, or justifying the killing or harming of Jews (often in the name of a radical ideology or an extremist view of religion).
- Making mendacious, dehumanizing, demonizing, or stereotypical allegations about Jews as such or the power of Jews as a collective—especially but not exclusively, the myth about a world Jewish conspiracy or of Jews controlling the media, economy, government or other societal institutions.
- Accusing Jews as a people of being responsible for real or imagined wrongdoing committed by a single Jewish person or group, the state of Israel, or even for acts committed by non-Jews.
- Accusing the Jews as a people, or Israel as a state, of inventing or exaggerating the Holocaust.
- Accusing Jewish citizens of being more loyal to Israel, or to the alleged priorities of Jews worldwide, than to the interest of their own nations";

Whereas the New Jersey Attorney General’s Office 2017–2018 Bias Incident Report reported 172 anti-Jewish bias incidents across New Jersey in 2018, which accounts for 86% of reported incidents motivated by the victim’s religion;²

Whereas on December, 10th, 2019 two shooters killed Detective Joseph Seals and deliberately targeted the JC Kosher Supermarket, killing Mindy Ferencz, 31, Miguel Douglas, 49, and Moshe Deutsch;

Whereas New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal described the shooters as motivated by a hatred for the Jewish people as well as hatred of law enforcement. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the University Senate of New Jersey City University—

(1) adopts the definition of anti-semitism above; and
(2) unequivocally condemns all forms of anti-Semitism; and
(3) rejects attempts to justify anti-Jewish hatred or violent attacks as an acceptable expression of disapproval or frustration; and
(4) rejects anti-Semitism as hateful expressions of intolerance that are contradictory to the values and mission of New Jersey City University.

¹https://www.state.gov/defining-anti-semitism/