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Congressman Andy Biggs  
The US House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman,

We write to thank you for your courageous vote against H. Res. 183, though it claimed to oppose all forms of hatred. The resolution was an abject failure of the House to address the issue standing before it: the repeated anti-Semitic bigotry expressed by one of its own.

The broadened House resolution reinforces the idea that people oppose Omar's anti-Semitic rhetoric because she is a Muslim, because she is a woman, because she is African-American, or because she is a refugee. That is a reprehensible effort to divert attention from her hateful words, and a slander directed at those who have condemned them.

We are amazed and appalled that those who stood for Black Lives Matter and dismissed "all lives matter" as a failure to confront the relevant issue, would deliberately object and refuse to confront the relevant issue today.

The "anti-hate" resolution was useless and offensive, and though we understand and respect those who voted in favor because it is, after all, appropriate to condemn all forms of bigotry, we appreciated your bravery in opposing such a resolution when one that addressed the core issue was what was needed.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Yaakov Menken".

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on behalf of the Coalition for Jewish Values