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George "Boy George" O'Dowd
London, UK

Dear Boy George,

On behalf of the Coalition for Jewish Values, we write to express our sincere gratitude for your extraordinary moral courage and heartfelt solidarity with the Jewish community, expressed through your song "We Will Dance Again." At a time when so many are afraid to speak clearly, your voice carried compassion, strength, and an unmistakable commitment to human dignity.

Your willingness to stand with our beleaguered community at great personal cost transcends disagreement, and we honor that without reservation. Your courage reminded the world that conscience transcends background, identity, and tradition. You demonstrated that moral clarity can come from unexpected places, and that solidarity is most powerful when it crosses lines that usually divide us.

Thank you for choosing to stand up, to speak out, and to lend your art to healing and hope.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yoel Schonfeld".

Rabbi Yoel Schonfeld
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yaakov Menken".

Rabbi Yaakov Menken
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