MEDIA ADVISORY
Here I Am: Communities United Against Antisemitism and Napa County Hanukkah Candle Lighting

WHO: Napa County elected officials, including Senator Bill Dodd, Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, District Attorney Allison Haley, Mayor Scott Sedgley, Vice Mayor Mary Luros, and Councilmember Beth Painter.

WHAT: To celebrate Hanukkah, light the Menorah, and demonstrate that Napa County will not tolerate antisemitism, elected officials and community leaders are gathering in support of the Jewish community for a Here I Am press conference and Hanukkah candle lighting.

WHEN: Monday, December 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. PT

WHERE: Congregation Beth Shalom, 1455 Elm St, Napa
RSVP required for security reasons. Please RSVP by email to jrussell@jcrc.org.

WHY: Following a string of violent antisemitic hate crimes across the country, as well as an increase in antisemitic incidents, including hateful flyers distributed in Napa County and elsewhere across the Bay Area, our Jewish community has begun declaring, “Here I Am,” in an online campaign. Napa County elected officials and community leaders are gathering to help amplify diverse Jewish voices and help to increase public recognition of how antisemitism affects our community. For more information about this initiative visit http://hereiamstories.org.

VISUALS: News media representatives are invited to photograph and record the remarks and Hanukkah candle lighting by elected officials and others.

INTERVIEWS: Elected officials and community leaders will be available following the event for individual interviews.

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