

**Town of Somerset**  
**Resolution Denouncing Antisemitism**

WHEREAS the Montgomery County Council has unanimously passed a resolution condemning antisemitism and has adopted the definition of antisemitism as “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;” and

WHEREAS antisemitism has been rising at an alarming rate in the United States, Maryland, Montgomery County, and Montgomery County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS the resurgence of this ancient hatred is a threat not only to Jewish people but to our whole community; and

WHEREAS the Town of Somerset is committed to standing against all forms of hate and bigotry and united in our commitment to dignity, compassion, and justice for all residents; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution was considered in open session on the \_\_th day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED that the Somerset Town Council denounces antisemitism; and

RESOLVED that the Somerset Town Council encourages all members of the community to reach out in support of colleagues, friends and neighbors who may be hurting in the wake of acts of hate and violence; and affirms its continuing commitment to promoting harmonious relationships across differences in our Town and in our broader community; and

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption and shall be filed by the Clerk-Treasurer and kept available for public inspection.