

Resolution No.:

Introduced:

Adopted:

July 27, 2010

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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By: Councilmember Leventhal

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**SUBJECT:** Hate crime committed against B'nai Shalom of Olney

**Background**

1. On the morning of July 26, 2010, police received a report of vandalism to the building and parking lot of B'nai Shalom of Olney.
2. Police have classified the vandalism, which included offensive words and symbols and references to the Holocaust, as a hate crime.

**Action**

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The County Council expresses its sympathy for, and solidarity with, the congregants of B'nai Shalom of Olney as well as with all residents of Montgomery County.

The County Council acknowledges that a hate crime directed against any segment of our community is in fact directed against our entire community.

The County Council reaffirms its repugnance toward all hate crimes, including the recent act of vandalism at B'nai Shalom of Olney, and expresses its desire that all residents of Montgomery County should live peacefully, in cooperation with each other and in support of each other.

The County Council encourages the Montgomery County Police Department to continue its investigation of the B'nai Shalom incident in the hope that those responsible can be held accountable for this reprehensible act.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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Linda Lauer  
Clerk of the Council