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Rabbi Eli Weinstock
Chair, Nassau County Task Force to Combat Antisemitism
1550 Franklin Avenue
Mineola, N.Y. 11501

RE: Goyim Defense League activities in Nassau County

Dear Rabbi Weinstock:

I write today to formally recommend that the Nassau County Task Force to Combat Antisemitism immediately embark upon an investigation of the activities of the “Goyim Defense League” in Nassau County. As you are aware, this entity has claimed responsibility for the dissemination of virulently antisemitic fliers to households in Rockville Centre and Oceanside, and the placing of identical fliers on the windshields of cars parked in Long Beach.

The Antidefamation League describes the entity as a “loose network of individuals connected by their virulent antisemitism. The group includes five or six primary organizers/public figures, dozens of supporters and thousands of online followers.” They continue to note that the Goyim Defense League “espouses vitriolic antisemitism and white supremacist themes via the internet, through propaganda distributions and in street actions,” just as we saw with the putrid fliers that were distributed last week.

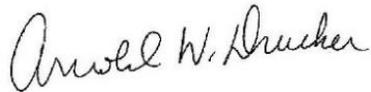
Elsewhere in the nation, the Goyim Defense League has claimed responsibility for waving the Nazi and SS flags outside the Turning Point USA political summit in Tampa, Florida on Saturday, July 23. According to the ADL, their “most zealous and visible actors are in California, Colorado, Florida and New York” (emphasis mine).

I strongly believe that an investigation by the Task Force to Combat Antisemitism would be highly beneficial in our efforts to assuage the legitimate and growing concerns that Nassau County residents have expressed in recent days regarding these disgusting incidents. Furthermore, facts and data gathered during such an exercise will provide us with crucial

guidance as we devise comprehensive public outreach campaigns and law enforcement strategies in the interest of preventing hateful acts like these in the future.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. As the Legislator who created and sponsored the original legislation that led to the creation of this important task force, I will never waver in my commitment to doing all I can to ensure that Nassau County is a safe, tolerant, and harmonious County for Jewish and non-Jewish residents alike to call home. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time - as always, I welcome the opportunity to speak and share ideas on how best to collaborate and address the crucial issues that are facing our residents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arnold W. Drucker".

Arnold W. Drucker
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