

Statement of The Jewish War Veterans of the USA (JWV) On Columbia University and Safety of Jewish Students on Campus

WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, UNITED STATES, April 26, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Jewish War Veterans of the USA denounces the antisemitic protests on the campus of Columbia University in the strongest way. "Protests are unlawful when they threaten the lives of others. We demand the University leadership shut down the encampment, discipline harassers, protect the safety of not only Jewish students but all students. Columbia University is obligated to restore the campus to a safe environment for all students and faculty," said JWV National Commander Colonel Barry Lischinsky (Retired).



"JWV has always stood up to hatred, bigotry, and antisemitism wherever and whenever it occurs as in

the past, we will not remain silent now or in the future. University leadership must be accountable to provide a safe and secure environment for their Jewish students. We call on leadership to put an end to the rising tensions on campus and restore civility."

JWV remains gravely concerned that similar protests have begun at multiple universities across the country. Commander Lischinsky continued, "While JWV recognizes the First Amendment provides for freedom of speech, hatred and violence are never justified. Once the speech targets those of a specific ancestry and incites violence, the University has a responsibility to prevent and eliminate that behavior from the campus community."

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About Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America

Founded in 1896, the Jewish War Veterans (JWV) of the USA is the premier voice for Jewish uniformed service members and veterans in the United States. The JWV affirms that Jewish men and women serve honorably and heroically in the military forces of the United States of America during peacetime and war. The JWV defends the rights and benefits of all service members and

veterans, combats antisemitism, and supports the State of Israel.

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