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A MESSAGE FROM ROB NAGUS

As we approach Passover, our community prepares to gather around the *seder* table to retell the ancient story of our people's journey from slavery to freedom. It is a story that has sustained the Jewish people for thousands of years—one that reminds us that even in times of uncertainty our resilience, faith, and unity carry us forward.

This year, as in recent years, we celebrate Passover with both gratitude and vigilance. Jewish communities around the world continue to face disturbing acts of antisemitism and threats to our safety. Recent incidents targeting Jewish communities in places such as Toronto and Michigan serve as stark reminders that this challenge remains very real. Here in Calgary, we are monitoring developments closely and remain in constant communication with our law enforcement partners at the municipal, provincial, and federal levels to ensure the safety and security of our community.

Protecting our community is among our highest priorities. In the coming weeks, Calgary Jewish Federation (CJF) will also be strengthening our security

infrastructure by welcoming a new Regional Security Director who will help coordinate security efforts across our institutions and deepen our collaboration with authorities and partner organizations.

At the same time, we must remember that vigilance does not mean retreat. The Jewish story is one of courage and perseverance. We will continue to live proudly and openly as Jews, celebrate our traditions, support one another, and contribute meaningfully to the broader Calgary community. We will not compromise who we are.

Passover is also a time to reflect on our shared responsibility to shape the future of Jewish life in our city. Over the past several weeks, many of you participated in our community strategic planning process by completing surveys and attending CJF's town hall with community organizations. I want to sincerely thank everyone who took the time to share their perspectives, ideas, and aspirations.

Your input is invaluable. Our team is currently working to synthesize the feedback we have received,

and we will be hosting additional sessions with stakeholders in the weeks ahead. This process will help us develop a clear, forward-looking vision that strengthens Jewish life in Calgary for the years to come.

The Passover story teaches us that freedom is not only something we inherit—it is something we must continually build and protect together. I am deeply grateful for the strength, engagement, and spirit of this community.

On behalf of Calgary Jewish Federation, I wish you and your families a meaningful and joyful Passover.

Chag Pesach Sameach,

Rob Nagus
CEO
Calgary Jewish Federation



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NEVER FORGET WITH MONTANA Tucker

On February 22, 112 members of our community and beyond tuned in for a virtual evening with singer, dancer and social media star, Montana Tucker.

Hosted by CJF's Holocaust and Human Rights: Remembrance and Education department and Calgary Public Library, this event was moderated by our community's own Emily Sztabyzb (actress, playwright and third-generation Holocaust survivor). They delved into Montana's journey from entertainer to activist and Holocaust educator. Montana shared her experience boldly and unapologetically advocating for the Jewish people online, on the red-carpet, and through her many projects including her most recent documentary, *The Children of October 7th* and 2022 docuseries, *How to Never Forget* – which follows Montana to Poland as she retraces her grandparents survival in Auschwitz.

If you didn't get a chance to tune into the event, you can view the full program at the QR code. You can also follow Montana across platforms: @Montanatucker



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