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Honorable Donald J. Trump  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As state legislators representing diverse communities that often deal with anti-Semitism, we ask that you fill the current vacancy and appoint a Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat anti-Semitism in the U.S. State Department. This is an office that was created in 2004 with bipartisan congressional support and has had the full support of the last two Presidents. The office should also be adequately staffed and funded.

As we address anti-Semitism and hate crimes at the local level at home, anti-Semitism appears to be much more prevalent in other nations. Since 2004, the Special Envoy helped document abuses against Jewish communities abroad, as well as develop and implement approaches to fight anti-Semitism, filling a major void. The Special Envoy was also able to address specific problems in France, Argentina, Hungary, Ukraine, Greece and Egypt that might have otherwise not been properly addressed.

This nation has been a leader in the fight against anti-Semitism and for human rights. The Special Envoy has played a unique and important role in this effort. Please appoint a Special Envoy to help eradicate anti-Semitism.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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cc. Honorable Rex Tillerson