## 2023-12.2

Minutes of the Syracuse Monthly Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business (MWCB) December 10, 2023, 12:15 p.m. in the Meetinghouse and via Zoom

As Quakers, we believe each life is sacred. We are heartbroken by the recent violence in Israel and Gaza. We deeply mourn the loss of all lives and pray for those who have lost loved ones, due to this latest escalation.

We unequivocally condemn attacks and inhumane treatment of civilians and call for the release of all hostages.

We call for an immediate ceasefire.

We urge our government to support a ceasefire, implement urgent humanitarian aid, and engage in negotiations for a long-term peace.

Meeting approves the statement. We encourage the recording clerk to send a copy to Friends Committee on National Legislation and to explain on Quakerfolks a means for sharing the minute with political representatives.