## Orange Grove Friends Meeting Minute of Concern on Israel/Palestinian War

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As Quakers, we oppose war and seek a just and lasting peace in Israel/Palestine. We grieve the death of over 1,200 Israelis and over 33,000 Gazans, including 13,800 children. Over 75,000 Gazans have been injured but most lack decent health care. Gazans are facing famine and infectious disease as well as the destruction of homes, hospitals, schools, places of worship, and farms. Their need for food, shelter and medical care is critical. We therefore urge our elected officials to seek:

- 1) An immediate and lasting bilateral ceasefire.
- 2) Return of Israeli hostages and Palestinian political prisoners.
- 3) Expedited humanitarian assistance to all parts of Gaza.

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