Minute on the Conflict in the Middle East

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"We utterly deny all outward wars and strife and fightings with outward weapons, for any end, or under any pretense whatsoever; and this is our testimony to the whole world."

from the Quaker peace testimony, as announced in 1660

As members of Strawberry Creek Friends Meeting (Quakers) in Berkeley, California, and in keeping with our historic peace testimony, we are horrified by the killing on all sides in Israel, Gaza, the West Bank, and the larger Middle East. We support a lasting ceasefire, together with peaceful action by the United States and other world powers, to bring about lasting peace, justice and freedom."

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