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Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon speaks out against threats to Jewish Communities across the nation

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO) condemns in the strongest possible terms the anti-Semitic rhetoric, vandalism, graffiti and threats of violence that have increasingly threatened Jewish communities across the nation since the beginning of 2017.

As an association of Christian denominations and congregations, ecumenical organizations and interfaith partners, EMO denounces the all forms of anti-Semitism. We stand with our Jewish brothers and sisters as they walk in their faith. We continue to pray for and work for a nation in which all persons may freely worship as they wish without fear.

We call upon all Oregonians to stand against actions that demonize or terrorize our Jewish friends and neighbors. We continue urging Oregonians to report hate speech and anti-Semitism wherever it may be found.

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon is a statewide association of Christian denominations, congregations, ecumenical organizations and interfaith partners working together to improve the lives of Oregonians through community ministry programs, ecumenical and interreligious dialogue, environmental ministry and public policy advocacy.

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