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The National Project for the Ethiopian Community in Israel Ltd (PBC)

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Dear Jeffrey,

We- the staff and leadership of the Ethiopian National Project, the parents and children of SPACE and the Ethiopian-Israeli community-- are devastated by the news of the horrific attack at the Tree of Life Synagogue. Our hearts go out to you, your staff and leadership, the Or L'Simcha, Dor Hadash and New Light congregations and the entire Pittsburgh community.


There is a saying in Amharic: "A close friend is as one's own eye, any damage is painful." We feel your pain as our own.

May you find strength in the power of your community. May you be comforted with the knowledge that through your leadership and foresight, lives were saved. Continue to be courageous and to work for a better world- your leadership will bring it.

Though so far away, we are there with you now, in an embrace.

May you never know such tragedy again.

With blessings,


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Director General, ENP


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