

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## "STANDING TOGETHER: REMEMBER AND RESPOND" TO PROMOTE UNITY AND SOLIDARITY

In community with all who are facing increased bigotry and hatred and in particular response to the rise in anti-Semitic threats and vandalism locally and nationally, the community is invited to a "Standing Together RVA: Remember and Respond" gathering.

What: "Standing Together: Remember and Respond"

**When:** Sunday, March 19, 2017 from 5:00pm – 6:30pm

Where: Emek Sholom Holocaust Memorial Cemetery

(located within Forest Lawn Cemetery at 4000 Pilots Lane, Richmond)

**Who:** The general public is invited to the event, and several hundred people are

expected.

**How:** Speakers from a number of religious traditions and backgrounds will share

testimonials and reflections. Calls to action will be highlighted through the

program.

**Why:** To show support for those who have been targeted and to stand together against

divisive and bigoted rhetoric, policies, and actions.

Website: Visit https://www.facebook.com/events/259140351178988/ for information about

this specific event and www.inclusiveva.org/standing-together-rva to learn more

about the "Standing Together" initiative

Sponsors of this event include Bonay Kodesh, Congregation Beth Ahabah, Emek Sholom Holocaust Memorial Cemetery, First UU Church of Richmond, Islamic Center of Virginia, the Jewish Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Community Federation of Richmond, Richmond Hill, Richmond Peace Education Center, Temple Beth-El, Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities, and the Weinstein JCC.

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