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RE: STATEMENT REGARDING DEFENDANTS' BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

The City of University Heights has worked with Kollel Yad Chaim Mordechai, Cleveland Community Mikva, and Zichron Chaim on their new facilities. I personally worked with, supported, and voted to approve this last project. During that same time period, the Aleksander Shul wasted time and opportunities to work with the City, and passed on the opportunity to buy land when it was available (as JFX did), and has made no effort to assemble land (as Zichron Chaim did).

The City and this administration have a proven record of working with community groups on these projects. I have offered to work with the Aleksander Shul time and again if they would only bring an acceptable proposal, which time and again they have declined to do, instead presenting a series of unacceptable proposals, including one that would have expanded the occupancy of the house at 4380 University Parkway to 501 occupants, with no additional parking or additional land acquired.

The defendants have taken a bona fide legal dispute and made it personal and nasty. Neither the law nor the facts are on their side, and they have descended into name calling, distorted my words from a court-sanctioned settlement meeting, and filed false affidavits accusing me of racism and anti-Semitism. The City and the community cannot condone their shameful bad faith tactics.

On behalf of the City, I call upon Rabbi Shneur Denciger, Danny Grand, Shneur Levin, and Elliott Jacobs, to withdraw their false affidavits. I further call upon attorneys Dale Markowitz and Brian Green to withdraw the sham and frivolous brief they signed and filed.

THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

Michael Dylan Brennan, Mayor