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“They shall sit everyone under their vine  
And under their fig tree  
And none shall make them afraid”

— Micah 4:4

Dear Mr. President:

Today, tens of thousands of Americans have come to Washington. We are encouraging them and joining them because:

- We stand in solidarity with the people of Israel;
- We support Israel’s right to defend itself;
- We stand with you in America’s war on terrorism;
- We support your initiative to end violence in the Middle East and bring the parties back to the negotiating table.

Today, we mourn the killing of all innocent people. And today, we affirm our continued hope that one day the Jewish state of Israel will live side by side and in peace with a Palestinian state. America’s current efforts to bring stability and peace to the Middle East give us more reason for that hope.

We thank you for your commitment to a safe and secure Israel, living in peace with her neighbors.

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