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**Statement on the Organized Attack against Jews in Amsterdam**

Holocaust Museum Houston is outraged and horrified by the modern-day pogrom in Amsterdam last night. During this organized violent attack against Israeli soccer fans, mobs carried out what they called a “Jew hunt.” Jews were chased, hunted down, and beaten for being Jewish.

On the eve of the anniversary of the November Pogrom, (Kristallnacht) of 1938, we face the same antisemitic violence and rhetoric that led to the Holocaust. History has demonstrated the dangerous impact when society does not heed the warning signs of dehumanization and demonization of Jewish people.

We are grateful that the Israeli soccer fans were evacuated by the Israeli government, however, Jews throughout the world remain threatened and under siege.

It is time for world leaders and ordinary people to stand up against antisemitism in all its forms including anti-Zionism. Antisemitism is not just a Jewish problem, when Jews are targeted, it harms all of society. It is our collective moral obligation to combat antisemitic hate speech and violence.

Stand with us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elyse Spector Kalmans".

Elyse Spector Kalmans  
Board Chair  
Holocaust Museum Houston

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda L. Burger".

Linda L. Burger  
Interim CEO  
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