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Dear Rabbi,

We are writing to you in regards to the current strike of UNITE HERE, Local 26 hotel workers in Boston against the Marriott Hotels, and to ask you and your organization to not cross picket lines at these hotels. Hotel workers called for a strike after Marriott failed meet workers' modest demand that "One Job Should Be Enough", despite months of negotiations.

Therefore, we are asking you, as a Jewish community leaders, to not attend or host any meetings or events at the Marriott Hotels. The hotels are: Aloft Boston Seaport, the Element Boston Seaport, the Ritz-Carlton Boston, the Sheraton Boston, the W Hotel Boston, the Westin Boston Waterfront, and the Westin Copley Place.

"I am striking because I have to work three jobs to try and cover all my family's expenses," said Brooke Melanson, a bartender at the Westin Boston Waterfront. "Just like any parent, I want time with my children to see them grow up. We hear all the time how well Marriott is doing. We want Marriott to recognize our contribution to their success."

We at the Jewish Labor Committee support these workers because we believe their cause is just. These workers deserve to earn wages that allow them to support themselves and their families. We are asking you to join us in supporting them.

To find a hotel in Boston that is use can use, go to <a href="https://www.local26.org/boston/">https://www.local26.org/boston/</a> and choose any from their list, except any of those seven hotels listed above.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

many agree

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