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JOINT STATEMENT: JEWS OF PRIDE

We are proud to support the Jews of Pride contingent at this Sunday's Midsumma Pride March.

The Midsumma Festival is about inclusion and celebrating people's individuality.

In previous years, we have both participated, marching alongside our vibrant and diverse LGBTQIA+ community.

People from different faiths, cultures and backgrounds come together to say clearly that no matter who you are or who you love, you are welcome.

For years, the Jews of Pride have formed a fundamental part of that rich tapestry. The important work these organisations do - both inside the Jewish community and as representatives of the Jewish community in LGBTQIA+ spaces - deserves to be recognised and celebrated.

We know that the past few months have been difficult for our Jewish community, and that so many have felt challenged in spaces they thought were safe. Now, with Aleph and the Jews of Pride leading the way, it is important for our Jewish LGBTQIA+ community to stand together, proud of who they are.

Most importantly, every single Jewish queer person deserves to know that they are loved, appreciated and that they belong.

So, to our Jews of Pride contingent, know this: On Sunday and beyond, you have our unwavering support.



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