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**JOINT STATEMENT: SUPPORTING THE JEWS OF PRIDE**

We are proud to support the Jews of Pride contingent at the 2025 Midsumma Pride March.

The Midsumma Festival is about inclusion and celebrating people's individuality and a contingent of Jewish community members is testimony of the festival's primary aim of inclusion.

We look forward to participating again this year, marching alongside our vibrant and diverse LGBTQIA+ community.

The Jews of Pride have long been an integral part of Victoria's vibrant and inclusive community, serving as proud representatives of the Jewish community within LGBTQIA+ spaces.

We know that since October 7, 2023, that our Jewish community has witnessed an upsurge in antisemitism and hate, and that so many have felt challenged in spaces they thought were safe.

It is important for our Jewish LGBTQIA+ community to stand together, proud of who they are, and march together in the 2025 Midsumma Pride March.

So, to our Jews of Pride contingent, led by their representative organisations - Aleph and the Jews of Pride - we extend our unwavering support.



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